THE BENEDICTA

1952

To Barb,
a sweet & cute
kid with a
wonderful personality
to match. Stay as sweet
as you are.
Remember
Dolly
5-3

To Barb
A real sweet and cute
girl with a wonderful
personality. Stay as sweet
as you are.
Lots of Luck
Dolly

To Barb,
A real sweet and
cute kid whom I
consider a huge link
in my chain of friends
I really enjoyed you
a great deal and am
membership in Ja-Ma

Always Remember
Joan E.

Barb.
Fine girl
who I will
remember always
Never forget free
and the lunch
table.
Marianne

To Barb:
It was a pleasure
to meet you & hope
we have
a nice year
together.
Lots of luck
Always
Alyce
4

To Barb.
Always remember the fun we've had in our one year of friendship the 4 replacian dances, riding on the streetcar and study period. Always stay as sweet and patient as you always were when I gave you an ear beating about Ray.
Love & Luck
Anna.

To Barb
a real sweet girl with a charming personality. Remember Phyllis

To Barb
A real sweet girl whom I had lots of fun with in our Junior Club. It was as well organized! Big joke. Hope we will be in the same home room next year. Lots of luck "Watch your driving" 53

To Barb,
always remember the fun we've had together at home, school, pool and everywhere else. Lots of love luck and success.
mary ann

Love you, Barbara
Sister Kathleen

To Barb,
Great sweet girl that we have had loads of fun with. Always remember me and the fun when you visited our lunch table and the salt in your chemistry book.
Love & Luck
Gerry
P. S. Watch the poles.

To Barb,
A swell and sweet
gal. Remember me
in the future. Loads
of luck and love to you in
future years Del '52

To Barb,
A swell girl with
a wonderful personality
always remember the
laughs we had. Don't
forget Chemistry lab. either.
I hope we're together in
our senior year.
Love & Luck
Sue '53

To Barb,
A sweet & cute
kid with a nice
personality. Stay
your own sweet
self. Love & Luck
Always remember
"G.I. of A."
'53

To Barb,
A sweet girl with
personality &
a smile to
remember me by.
Always remember
Blanche

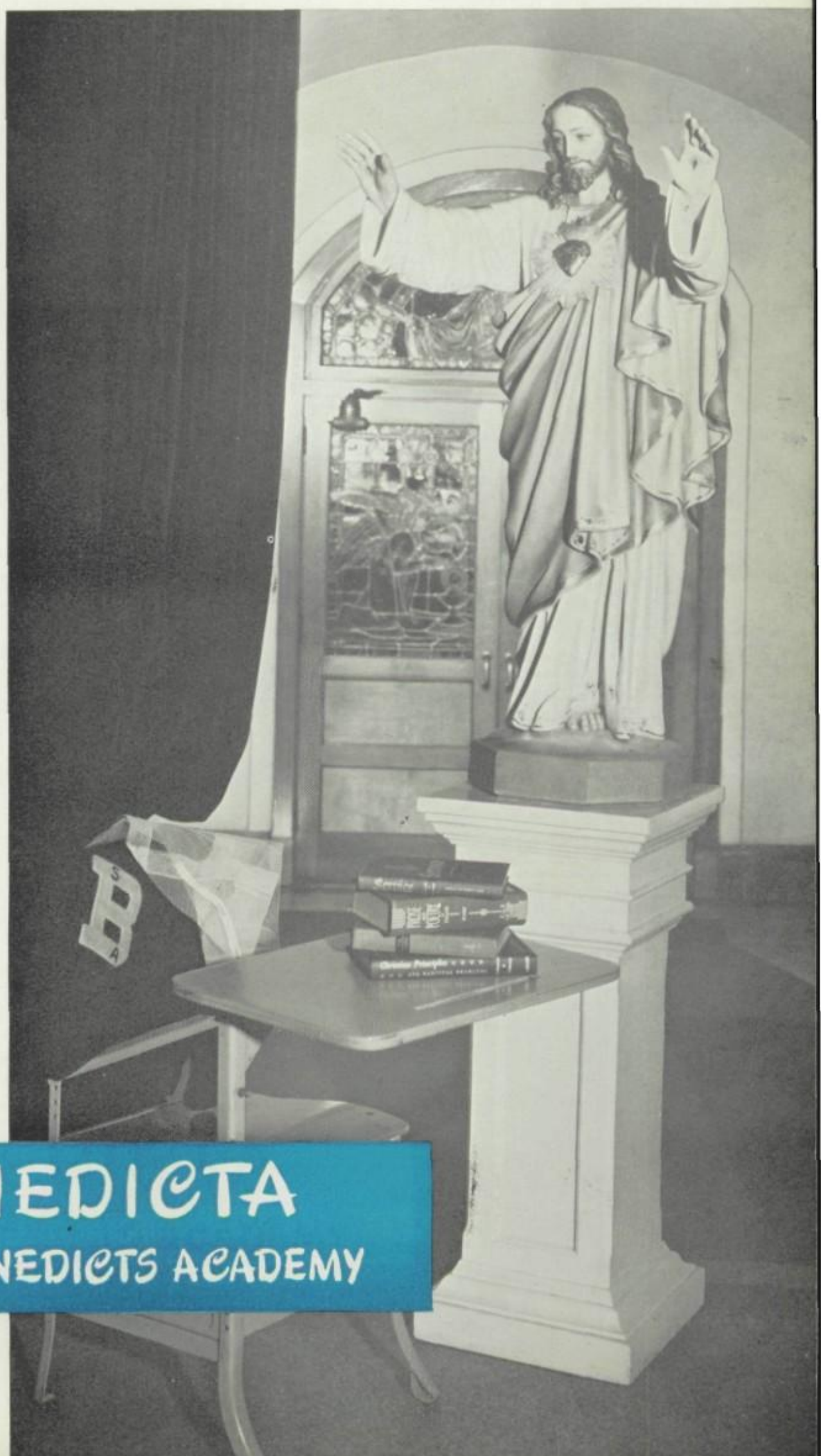
To Barb,
A real sweet
girl with a X.
personality &
Luck & pardners to
you in the future.
Forever yours
Jimmie
'53

To Barb,
a sweet
little miss
always remember
our "studies"
when we
should I've been in
the library
try and remember
me.
Mac.

To Barb,

My very best to you, Barbara
F.D.

To Barb,
a cute kid who
I will always
remember. Always
remember the fun
we had during
study & English. Lots
of luck in the
future. Pat
'53



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SAINT BENEDICTS ACADEMY

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YOUR SCHOOL YEAR
NINETEEN FIFTY-TWO
PORTRAYED BY WORDS
AND PICTURES.

ST. BENEDICT'S ACADEMY, PITTSBURGH, PA.

A PRIEST . . . .

WE HONOR

To you, our Most Reverend Bishop Dearden, our spiritual leader. We the Graduates of 1952, with heartfelt devotion, dedicate this annual. Christ has chosen you to help carry out His words to Saint Peter, "Feed My Sheep." We are the sheep; you are the Shepherd.

May we accord you the satisfaction of seeing us swayed by your manly persuasiveness and clear teaching. Yours is a sacred and difficult ministry. We promise to pray for you that the Master may aid you, through your apostolic labors, to reap an abundant harvest of souls in the vineyard assigned to you, the extensive and progressive Diocese of Pittsburgh.

We humbly ask you to pray for us that we may ever remain dutiful children of Holy Mother Church and find true happiness in faithful service to God and country.

.... A SCHOLAR .... A FRIEND

YOUR CAMPUS....

THANK YOU FOR THE MEMORIES

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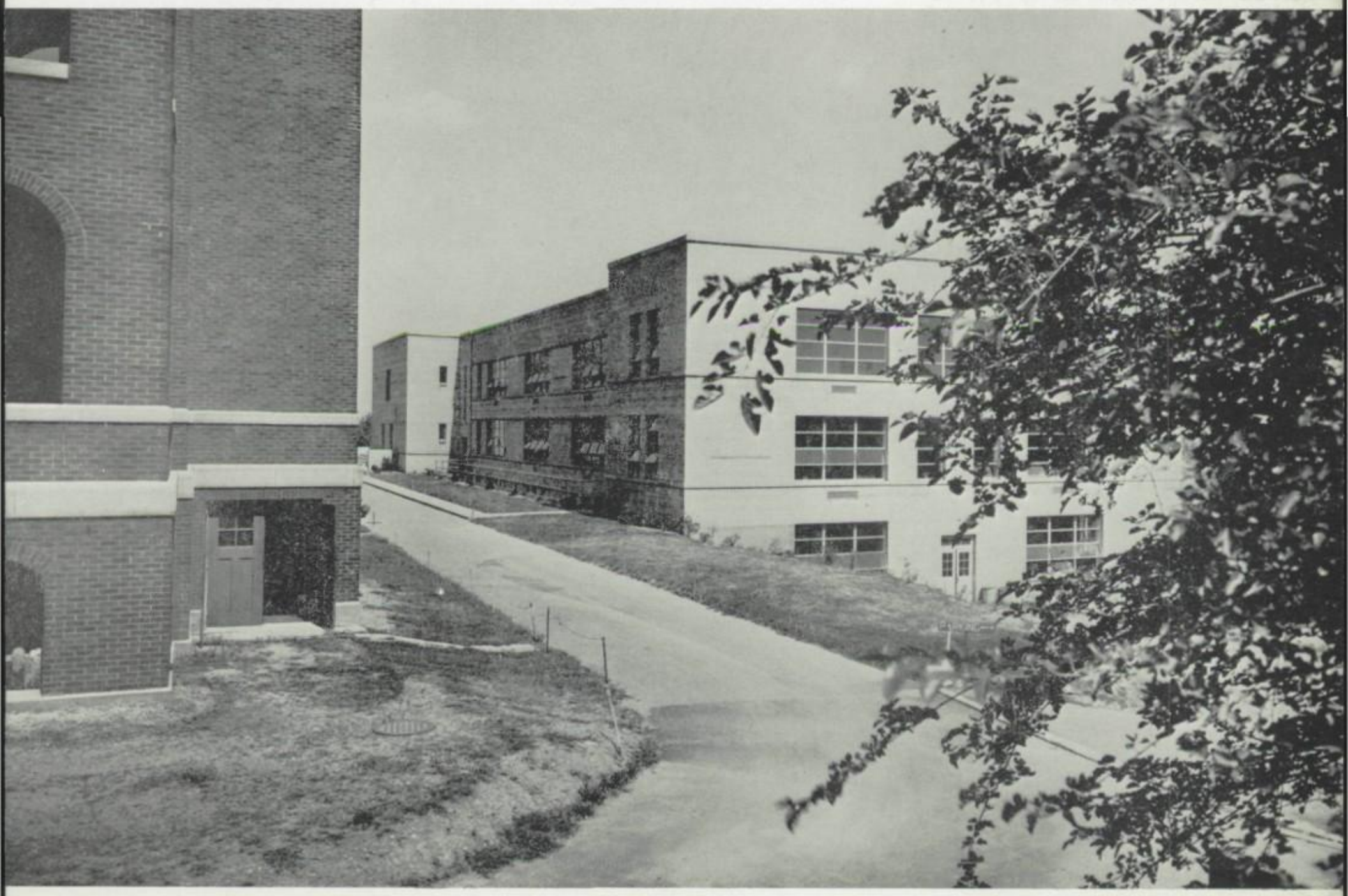
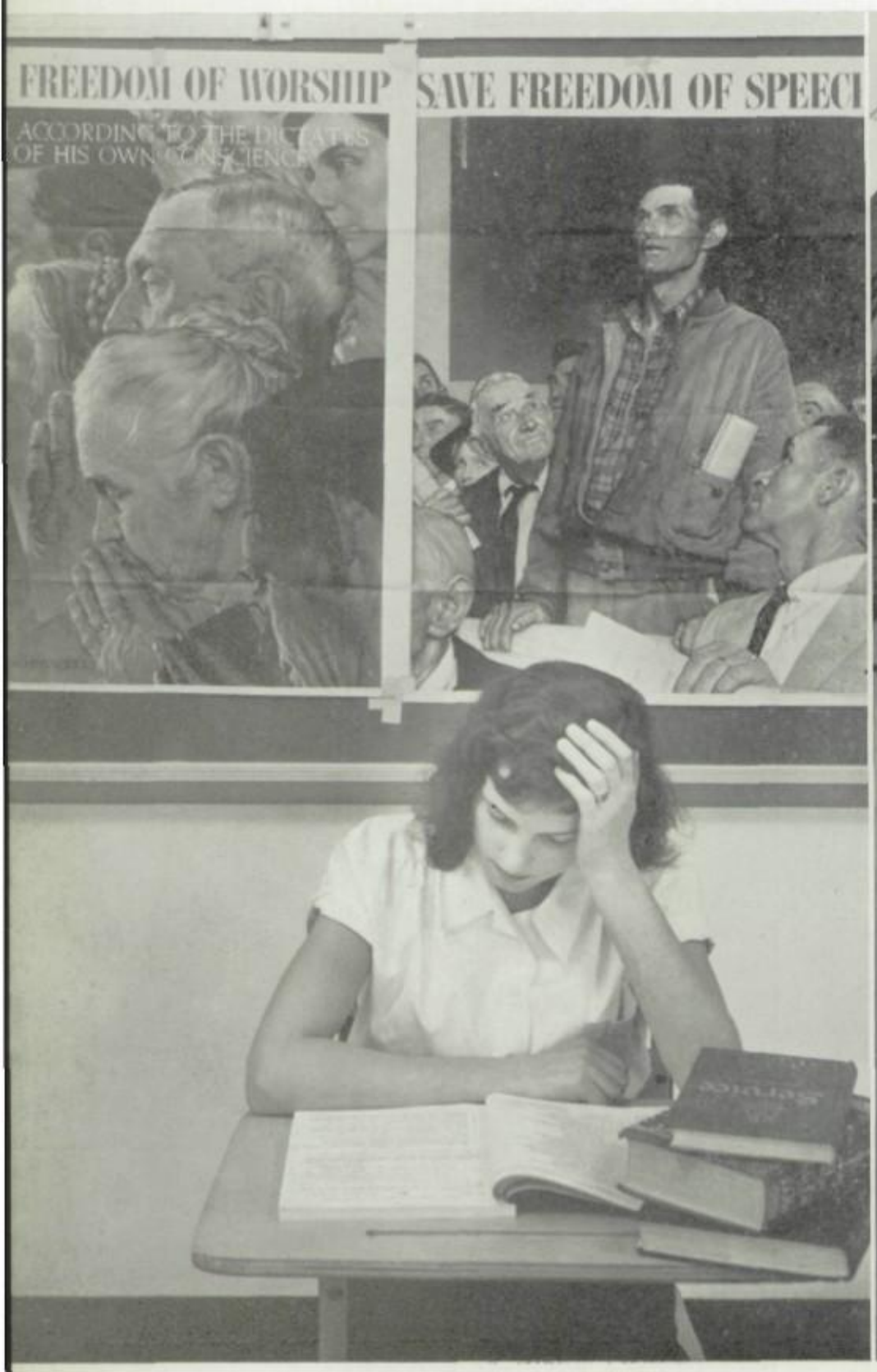


By its very nature, this twentieth volume of "The Benedicta" claims a niche in the heart of every student. On its pages are etched many pleasant hours the students spent in prayer and studies, in sports and in social and academic activities. The editors have attempted to transmit, through picture and copy, a precious legacy to teachers, fellow classmates, and the graduates.

In the many tomorrows of the future, this annual will be a mirror in which scenes, dear to our hearts, can be revisioned. Reminiscently browsing through its pages, we shall relive the happiest moments of our lives.

BETTER PEOPLE



J. Portman

MENTALLY

A. Mancuso and A. Walsh

RELIGIOUSLY

BECAUSE WE WERE ABLE TO BUILD A FULLER LIFE AT SAINT BENEDICT'S

Seated—L. Staud
Standing—M. Grimm and M. Gaugler

SOCIABLY

A. Krevosh and J. Frank

PHYSICALLY

PRINCIPAL

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YOUR SENIORS AFTER FOUR HAPPY YEARS AT SAINT BENEDICT'S SAY AU REVOIR.

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Seniors . . . .

HOLD NO DREAM OF A FORTUNE VAST

Left to Right — D. Macak, A. O'Lear, G. A. Brocke, C. Weiser

D. Macak

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Secretary — A. O'Lear

Treasurer — C. Weiser

G. A. Brocke

A. O'Lear

C. Weiser

PRESIDENT

DOROTHEA MACAK "Dot" St. Boniface

Our attractive, efficient leader - possesses a bubbling sense of humor - ambition and vitality. Dramatics 3, 4.

VICE PRESIDENT

GAY ANN BROCKE Assumption

Candy sweetness - a wistful manner - fingers that portray artistry at the piano. Glee Club 3, 4.

SECRETARY

ADELAIDE O'LEAR "Addie" St. Peter's

Glowing Irish eyes - imaginative co-editor of the Benita - enjoys laughter, life.

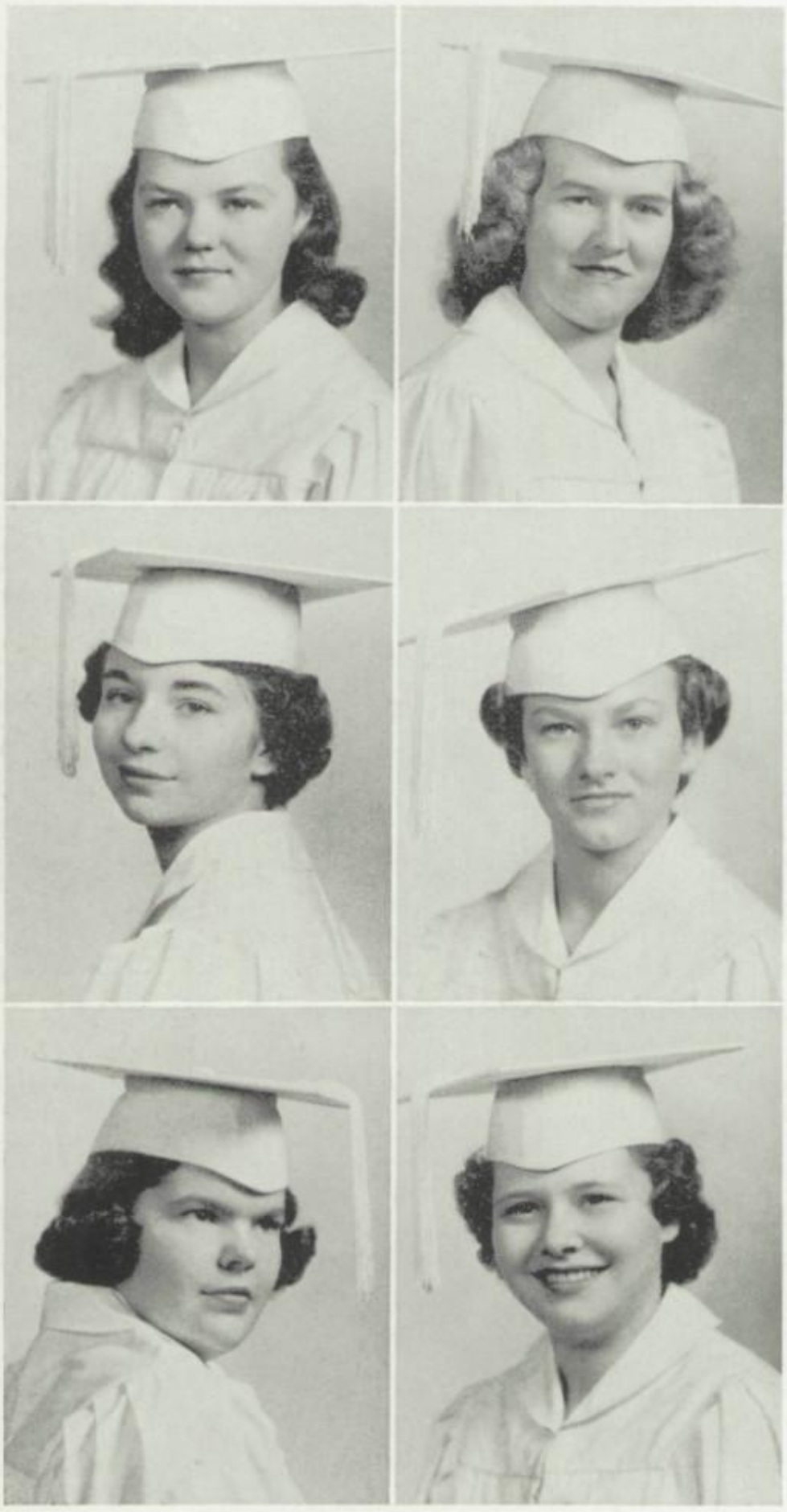
TREASURER

CLARE WEISER Assumption

Welcome as the tang of morning - unassuming air and natural geniality - quietly demure.

Seniors . . . .

MY TREASURERS ARE MY FRIENDS



GLORIA ALAND "Glory (Be)" Assumption
Flame-lit curls - stimulating version of humor - originality. Glee Club 3, 4.

ANN BARKLEY "Pinky" St. Joseph
Laugh and she will laugh with you - the twinkle in her eyes betrays a sense of humor - an unusual person, considerate of others.

AUDREY BAUER St. Leo
Striking black hair - Unruffled disposition - beguileing smile.

ROSEMARY BERGMAN "Rose" Nativity
Vibrates athletic ability - a pert expression and saucy eyes that hint "there's something in the air." Basketball 1, 2.

JOANNE BIENEMANN "Jo" Nativity
Package of fun - energetic as a bee - dexterous hands excell at the easel. Basketball 1, 2. N. F.L. 2.

ALBERTA BOEHM "Junie" St. Ambrose
Steps at a skipping pace - varied interests Laughter that shows a warm heart. Glee 3, 4.

Signing yearbooks! A highlight of the year.

ELIZABETH ANN BOYER "Betty" Nativity

Catchy friendliness - fair haired - she never intrudes but makes a lasting impression. Dramatics 3.

MARY FRANCES BOYLAN St. Leo

Content with the little things in life - demure - catchy smile indicative of mischief within.

BETTY BRANDT Sacred Heart

Insatable desire for learning - knack for debating - sincere and loyal to all her friends. Glee Club 3, 4; N. F. L. 2, 3, 4; Dramatics 4.

LUCILLE BREITENBACH

Possessor of an indefinable charm - smartly slim - impeccably well-groomed - an ambitious person with sunshine in her smile.

JOAN BRUECKNER "Joanie" Most Holy Name

Decidedly delicious sense of humor - keyed for fun - effervescent liveliness.

MARY ANN BRUNN "Nancy" Nativity

Ice-cool smoothness - Petite - known for her moving laughter. Dramatics 3, 4.

RUTH BURKHARD "Sis" Most Holy Name

Creamy complexioned - neatness from head to toe - amiable disposition.

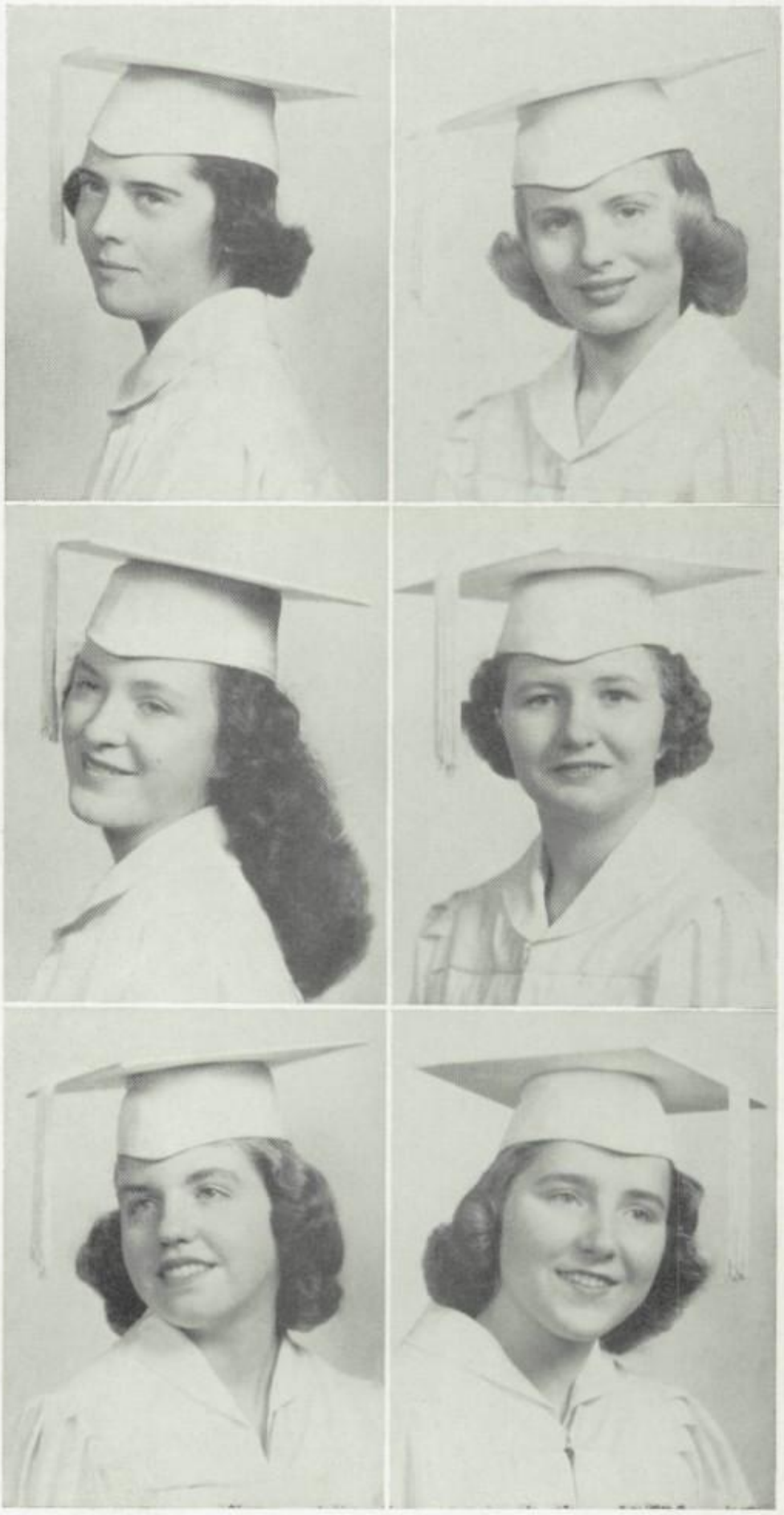
MARY CATHERINE CALLIO "Cee Cee" St. Peter's

Debonaire - quaint as a nosegay - beneath the surface lies a ripple of spontaneous fun.

Seniors . . . .

DO YOU REMEMBER PROM NIGHT

Meditation — shadow on the wall.



GLORIA CAMP "Glo" Nativity
Tranquil nature - genteel - a warm heart and thoughtful mind. Dramatics 3.

JOAN CHMAY St. Peter's
Livewire - fresh air of friendliness - surprise package.

CATHERINE CONNELLY "Kate" St. Peter's
Long tumbling tresses - capricious laughter - as exciting as a diary filled with happy moments.

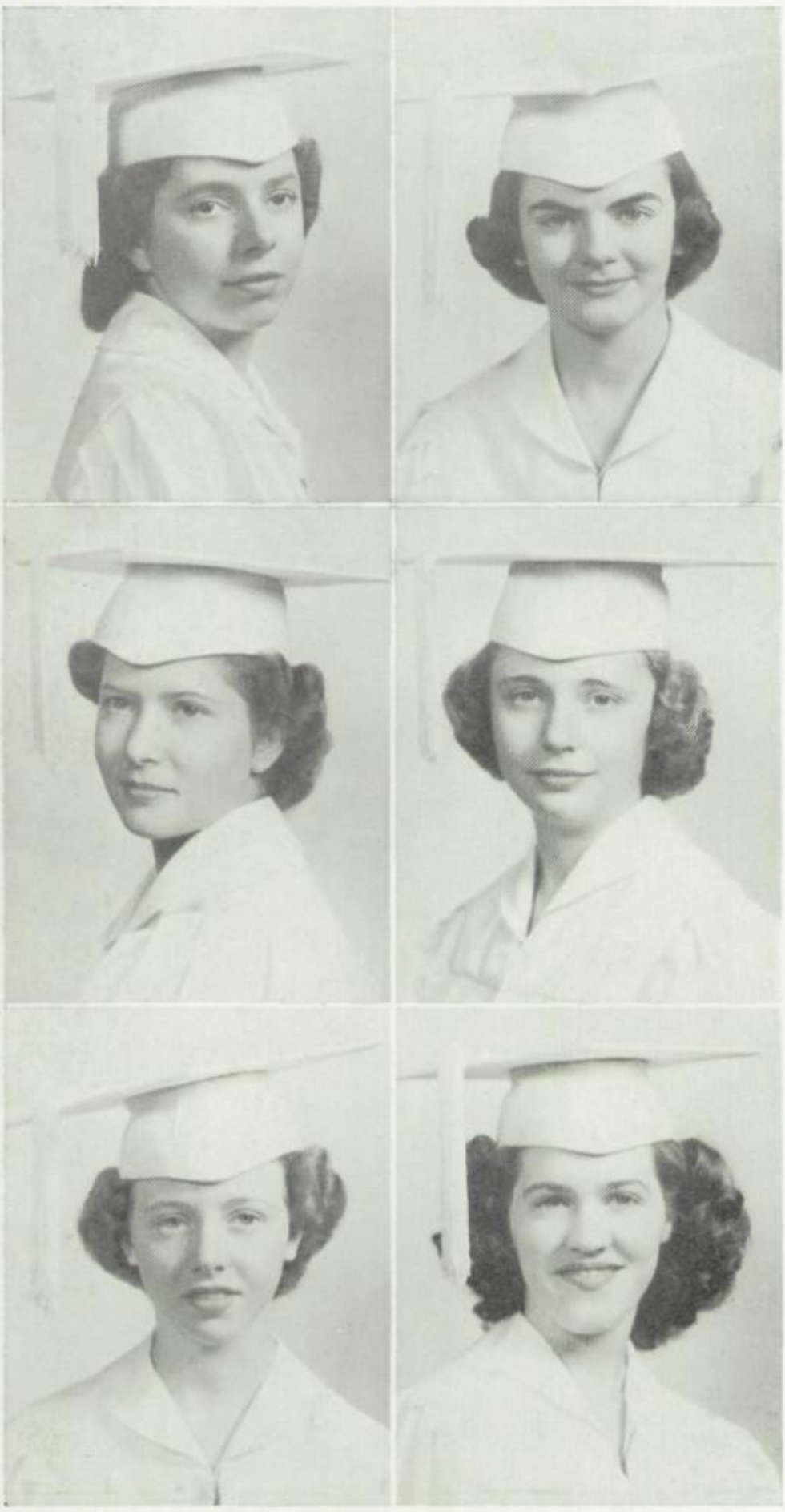
BETTY JANE CRUMBO St. Anthanious
Appealing initiative - smiles from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. bells - spreads happiness about her.

HELEN CURRIE St. Peter's
Lilting smile - considerate of others - gay as a floral print.

ANNA MAE DAVIS Nativity
Adept with her needle - reflects happiness - bonny brown hair. Dramatics 3.

Seniors . . . .

SO LONG FOR A WHILE



REGINA DIECKMAN "Jean" St. Leo's

Outstanding strength for work - enlivening as a pep cheer - definite ideals for her goal.

ELLEN DONOVAN "Elly" Sacred Heart

Unruffled beauty - vivacious cadence - package of liveliness.

DOROTHY DRAB "Dot" Nativity

Radiant naturalness - captures the warmth in the sunshine and seems to spread it about.

ROBERTA DRAKE Nativity

Quiet, unassuming graciousness - magnetic serenity that lends an exciting air to those who know her - Basketball 1.

ARLENE ELMEIER "Ar" Most Holy Name

Busy as a bee - jolly laugh - invariable disposition.

FRANCES FAUB "Fran" St. Joseph

Really witted - spontaneous laugh - a whirlwind of enthusiasm. N. F. L. 1.

Two-thirty — class dismissed.

LOIS FERKETIC — All Saints

Genuine as a diamond - latent charms - lasting friendliness. N. F. L. 1; Basketball 3.

KATHLEEN FLOWERS — Sacred Heart

Friendship for her classmates - content with the little things of life - appreciative of the slightest favor.

MIRIAM FOERSTER — Nativity

Radiant as the beauty of springtime - an etching of femininity - natural warmth. Basketball 1, 2.

BETTE FORD — St. Peter's

Adept at dancing - madcap - more concerned with her own circle than the world around her.

JOAN FRANK "Frankie" Nativity

Blond locks and intelligence plus - reigns supreme in plain or fancy typing. Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 3, 4.

LUCILLE FROEHLICH "Lou" St. Cyril

Grace in every step and neatness in every fold - a petite miss ever-ready with her giant-size heart.

DORIS FROEHLY "Dorie" St. Mary's

Unaffected charm - pert profile - eager to set her mood to yours.

MARIE FUNFAR "Lee" St. Wenceslaus

A pleasing combination of social and scholastic activity - regardful of everyone.

Seniors....

OUR FAVORITE PERIOD

The cafeteria — food for thought!

KATHLEEN GALATE "Kathy" St. Athanasius

Provocative beauty in her deep brown eyes - appreciative of the least kindness done to her.

KATHLEEN GARVEY "Kay" Nativity

Gleaming brown eyes - loyalty, sincerity, and popularity embodied in Kay's entirely "different personality."

PATRICIA GARVEY "Pat" St. Leo's

Sports enthusiast - iridescent vitality - blithe spirit. Glee Club 2; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4.

MARTHA GAUGLER "Marty" St. Teresa

Reserved style of sub-deb - smart sophistication that becomes her gracefulness. Dramatcs 3.

KATHLEEN GOETTMAN "Kate" Most Holy Name

Unassuming air of friendliness - blend it with color and ingenuity and you have "Kate".

JANE GONCAR "Snooky" St. Mary

Beautifully groomed - genial - irresistable smile.

Seniors . . . .

THAT OLD HOME COOKING!

MARIE GOOD "Mitzi" Most Holy Name

Dash of wit - one cup of artistic endeavors stirred with vigor and you have our "Mitzi". Dramatics 3.

LOIS GRABOWSKI "Lo" Nativity

Deep, personified voice - chartiable - Florence Nightingale '52 - N. F. L. 1, 2, 3, 4; Dramatics 3, 4; Basketball 1.

FLORENCE GRAY St. Francis Xavier

Bubbling spirits - lilting ways - brimming with fun for everyone. Dramatics 3; Glee Club 3

ANTOINETTE GRECO St. Athanasius

A shy but sincere friend - pleasing disposition - vividly expressive.

MARLENE GRIMM "Mar" St. Peter's

Charm masters every occasion - sparkling personality - vibrantly warm smile. Dramatics 3, 4; N. F. L. 1.

MARY ELLEN GROM "Missy" St. Boniface

Creative sense of art - camera pretty - dilligent worker.

Lunch — first come, first served.

RITA HARTUNG Sacred Heart

Spiritual endeavors - fresh as a spring rain - God's choice.

SYLVIA HEISER "Syl" St. Peter's

Model-like stature - newsy as Walter Winchell - zest for living. Dramatics 3, 4; Glee Club 3, 4; Basketball 3.

DORIS HEPP "Dor" Most Holy Name

Aggressiveness - frolicsome - always ready with an out-of the ordinary reply. Glee Club 3, 4.

MARY HEURICH "Chick" Most Holy Name

Shinning tresses - buoyant smile - custom made. Glee Club 3.

MARIANNE HOFFMAN "Cookie" St. Leo's

Spark of sophistication - genial friendliness - mannequin poise. Glee Club 3, 4; Dramatics 3, 4.

BARBARA HORN "Babs" St. Joseph

Carefree manner - sweet as for-get-me-nots - vim, vigor and vitality. N. F. L. 1.

MARGARET INSERRA "Peg" St. Peter's

Smartly slim - coiffure craze - fashion-wise as a page from Vogue.

SYLVIA MAY JACOB "Syl" St. Xavier

Fascinating as a puzzle - finds joy in living - lithesome danseuse.

Seniors....

DRAMATIZED "NEW FIRES"

What's the occasion?

MARY LOU KEHR "Lou" St. Joseph
Pleasure loving - winsome - refreshing as a cool breeze. N. F. L. 1; Dramatics 3, 4.

MARY LEE KELSCH Most Holy Name
Full of life - dynamic urge to learn - rollicking laugh. Dramatics 3, 4; N.F.L. 1, 2, 3, 4.

BARBARA ANN KEMMERER "Babs" St. Joseph
Flashing whimsical manner - mischievous gleaming eyes - becoming casualness. Glee Club 3.

MARY LOUISE KNOEBEL "Lou" Nativity
Displays real genius - vivid imagination - grace with a pen and pencil.

PATRICIA KOLLING "Pat" St. Boniface
Rhythm in every step - charming in every mood - definitely chic.

ANITA KREVOSH "Kre" St. Leo's
Merry individual - plenty of vigor - "Kre" scores again. Basketball 3, 4; Glee Club 3, 4.

Seniors . . . .

VIM . . . VIGOR . . . VITALITY . . .

REGINA KUSNER "Kush" St. Gabriel's

Mischievous as a kitten - vibrant - happy go-lucky.

MARIAN LANGER St. Teresa

Candid loviness - soft, modulated voice - dresden daintiness.

LOIS LEHBERGER "Lo" Most Holy Name

Placid as a mountain lake - classic as a portrait - rose-petaled complexioned. N.F.L. 1, 2.

PAT LESICK "Toots" St. Joseph

Joy of living radiates from her person - speaks her mind openly - gets a "kick" out of everything.

ANNA LEWARTOWICZ St. Joseph

A friend to the end - light blond tranquility veils irrepressible humor. Glee Club .

ANGELINE MANCUSO "Angel" St. Mary

Petite and attractive - reserve radiates a friendly sparkle - always perfectly groomed. Dramatics 3, 4.

Taking an old fashioned walk?

MARY MANGOLD "Margie" Assumption

Class jester - predicts the mode of the moment - strikingly blond. Glee Club 3.

JESSICA MATOKA "Jess" Holy Ghost

Always neat and congenial - capable and untiring worker - likeable with her ready smile. N.F.L. 1; Dramatics 3, 4.

PATRICIA MAYER "Pat" Nativity

Loses her complacency in a mist of mirth - faces life's problems with a merry twinkle in her eye.

LOIS McCARTER "Lo" St. Andrew

Typical "Irish" wit and personality - the girl with the laughing eyes - sweet and amiable.

JOAN McCUE "Joan" St. Peter

Sunny disposition - always prepared to have a good time - professional on the dance floor.

ELIZABETH McGUIRE "Bette" St. Cyril

Forceful, convincing debator - interesting conversationalist - a warm heart and thoughtful mind. N.F.L. 1, 2; GleeClub 3, 4.

NANCY McLAUGHLIN "Nancy" St. Alphonsus

Sweet, likable miss with blond hair - unique personality - always sees the humorous side of things. Glee Club 1, 2; Dramatics 3.

CATHERINE McNAMARA "Kate" St. Francis Xavier

Witty humor and "catchy" personality - delightful prophetic note of spring - sixty inches of fun.

Seniors....

REMEMBER WINDY MARCH DAYS

Eight-forty — the beginning of another day.

CAROL MECKLER "Carol" St. Cyril of Alexandria

Golden rays of sunshine - the possessor of a sweet disposition - a friend to all and everybody's friend. Glee Club 3, 4.

MARY MELDON "Liz" Nativity

Her conversations tuned to a crisply modern tempo - contagious giggle - adept at clever repartee. Glee Club 3.

MARLENE MENTEL "Mar" St. Cyril of Alexandria

Delicately-chiseled features - dancing eyes - rhythm in her every movement. Glee Club 4.

JEAN MARIE MERMAN "Jeannie" St. Leo

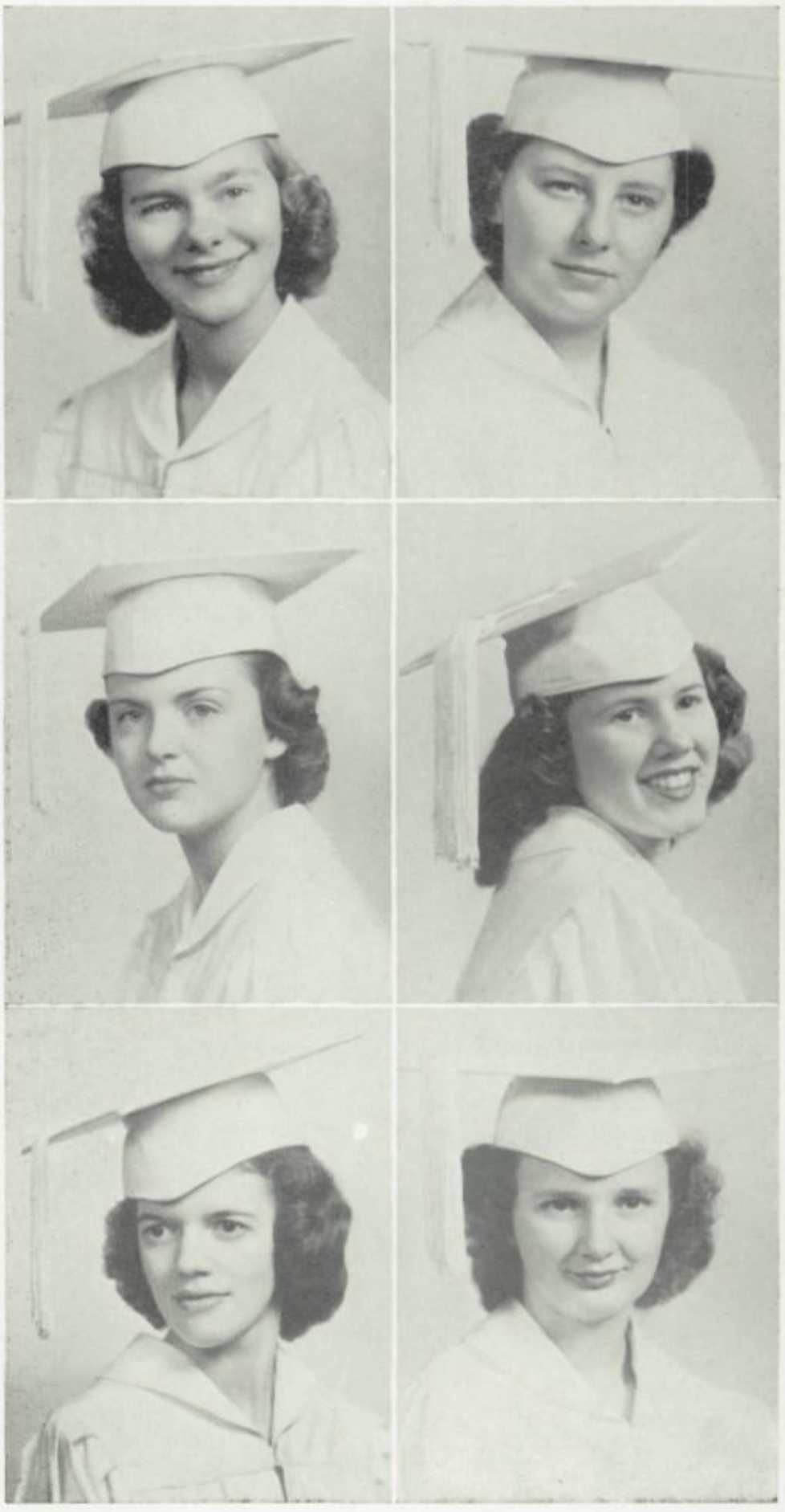
Charming in her various moods, whimsical in speech - speaks in a crisp, staccato tone - enjoys life. Glee Club 3, 4.

PATRICIA MURPHY "Murph" St. Andrew

Turns up at just the right moment - her graciousness wins everyone's heart - energetic girl and a witty entertainer.

LORETTA NAAB "Rett" Most Holy Name

Tiny but vitally magnetic - fun-loving, with a serious side - "Rett" always strikes the happy medium. Glee Club 3, 4.



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TIME FOR LEISURE

DOLORES NAGY "De" Nativity

Happy-go-lucky "De" intrigues all with her sparkling humor - green eyes with "inch-long" lashes - expresses opinions fearlessly. Basketball 1.

VIRGINIA ONDRICK "Ginny" Most Holy Name

Sparkling as soda pop - delightful to know - colorful as a shower of confetti. Dramatics 3, 4; N.F.L. 1.

MARY PATTON "Izzy" St. Athanasius

Acquiescent graciousness - mastering perfection - dramatic nature. Dramatics 3, 4. N. F. L. 1, 2.

PAT PHILLIPPS "Irma" Most Holy Name

Unpredictable nature - a flare for beaus - dancing blue eyes. Glee Club 2.

JOAN PORTMAN "Porty" Nativity

Unforgetable as the lingering echo of a melody - sweet with a touch of spice. Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4.

GRACE POTTHOFF "Gracie" Most Holy Name

Reserved miss - lovable disposition - petite and attractive. Glee Club 3, 4.

A breath of fresh air!

JEAN REDERER "Jeannie" St. Andrew

An engaging concoction of the newest nonsense plus an easy-going ease - a captivating smile. Glee Club 3, 4.

MARY REGAN "Mary" St. Peter

A wit that provides enjoyment for all - eyes that betoken an easy friendliness - a staunch friend of many. Glee Club 1.

BETTY RHEAM "Rusty" St. Joseph

A jovial smile that radiates sunny friendliness - a minature dynamo of energy - zips merrily through life. N.F.L. 1.

JOANNE ROCHFORD "Jo" St. Athanasius

Treasure box of wit - conversations that are sheer, whimsy, and droll - varied interests.

ANNA MAE ROCHRICK "Ann" St. Mary

Non-crushable and wrinkle-resistant in spirit - imbibes more than her quota of laugh and fun

JUNE ROTH "Junie" Nativity

Can usually be found behind the library desk - petite little miss. Dramatics 3, 4; N.F.L. 1; Basketball 2.

DOROTHY SAPIAN "Dot" Most Holy Name

Her smile and humor blend to make a distinctive personality - debonair as a deb. Glee Club 2; Dramatics 3; Basketball 1.

MARIAN SCHERER Nativity

Glowing, friendly personality - lends an effervescent touch to all she does - skims across typewriters with great ease.

Seniors . . . .

READY FOR A JOY RIDE

An expensive resting place.

JOANNE SCHMUDE "Jo" St. Cyril of Alexandria

Winsome; with a soft, lilting laughter - pattern of pertness - sincerely cooperative. Basketball 3.

SHIRLEY SCHRECENGOST "Shirl" St. Peter

An unpretentious zip flecked with gaiety - diverts with a hearty chuckle - her manner's reserved.

JO ANN SCHWAB "Schwabie" St. Leo

From science to athletics; from efficiency to merriment - abounds in contrast. Glee Club 2, 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4.

LILLIAN SHARP "Lill" St. Joseph

Imparts to her pals a bit of her own waggish gaiety - offers a delightful "lift out of the doldrums". Glee Club 2, 3, 4.

MARGARET SHEELER "Margie" St. Joseph

Matches moods of gay jocundity with quiet moments - bewitching personality - blazing intensity. Glee Club 3, 4.

LUCILLE SKOVRAN St. Mary

Calm, pensive, affable - obliging, consistently true to her ideals - sympathetic understanding mirrored in merry eyes. Glee Club 2, 3.

Seniors . . . .

LAUGHTER MAKES FRIENDS

MARGARET SNYDER "Peggy" St. Mary

Always perfectly groomed - despite her reserve radiates a friendly sparkle - enjoys a company of friends.

CHARLENE STANDER "Char" St. Joseph

Varied interests - a leasurely laugh - the sparkle of a sprightly disposition. N. F. L. 1; *Dramatics* 3.

LOIS STAUD St. Joseph

Tiny in stature but big of heart - versatile member of the class - always neat and congenial. N. F. L. 1, 2, 3; Dramatics 3, 4.

MARCIA STEELE St. Teresa

Competent, efficient, studious - possessor of a charming and friendly personality - well liked by all. N. F. L. 1, 2, 3, 4.

LILLIAN STRUHAR "Toots" St. Wenceslaus

"Tops in work and play - grasps any new situation or problem - a shy, provocative smile.

FRANCES SWEENEY "Frannie" Annunciation

A talented dancer endowed with charm - unstudied coiffure - bespeaks the joy of a gay disposition. Basketball 1, 2.

Time taken to enjoy our campus.

AUDREY THOMPSON "Aud" Most Holy Name

Two saucy dimples consistently used - interesting conversationalist - a rollicking madcap, carefree as the wind.

ROBERTA WAGNER "Bobbie Lou" Assumption

Witty humor and vibrant personality - innovating trend of tommorrow's styles - "a keen dancer," her friends declare.

ANNE WALSH Assumption

Cheerful and fun-loving - cooperative and a true friend - never shirks her duty. Glee Club 3, 4; Dramatics 4; N. F. L. 1, 2.

DOLORES WEAVER "Dee" St. Athansius

"Dee", tall, languidly casual - all the gayet and color of a confetti shower - thrives on fun, and excitement. Glee Club 3, 4; Dramatics 3, 4.

JOAN WEIGAND "Jay" St. Athanasius

Goes about her way with quiet, unassuming ease - a winning smile - spreads happiness all around her. Glee Club 2, 3, 4.

MILDRED WEIGL "Millie" St. Teresa

Her rare good humor and jollity brighten the dullest hour - full of vim, vigor and vitality - eager to set her mood to yours. Dramatics 3, 4.

JOYCE WHITBY St. Cyril of Alexandria

Invariable does the unexpected - has amiable ways - ready to take a dare. Glee Club 3, 4; Dramatics 4; Basketball Mgr. 4.

ANTOINETTE WINTERS "Annette" Most Holy Name

A minature dynamo of energy - smiling eyes twinkle as mischievous "Annette chases the blues - rhythmic dancing partner.

Seniors . . . .

ALWAYS BE HAPPY AND GAY

Flash that Pepsodent smile.

CORRINE WOLF "Reenie" Most Holy Name
Always sees the humorous side of things - dependable as she is sweet - super enthusiastic.

JOAN WOODS Nativity
Petite - despite her reserve radiates a friendly sparkle - grace in every step.

MAGDALENE YOST "Maggy" St. Joseph
Even the slightest favor done her returns like a swift boomerang - an intriguing smile. - unassuming, cheery air. Glee Club 2.

ELIZABETH ZAHREN "Betty" St. Cyril of Alexandria
Interesting yet quiet - conceals her enthusiasm with an air of nonchalance - unruffled good nature.

GERALDINE ZOVKO "Gerry" St. Boniface
Friendly miss with curly dark hair - vivacious - lovable and radiant personality. Dramatics 3, 4; Glee Club 3, 4.

FRANCES ZUBALIK St. Ambrose
Pleasant and likable friend of all - bubbling over with nonsense - capable seamstress. Glee Club 3, 4; Dramatics 3.

YOUR FRIENDS AT SAINT BENEDICT'S

WILL LONG BE REMEMBERED AND CHERISHED

WE RENEW THEM ONCE MORE IN YOUR 1952

- JUNIORS
- SOPHOMORES
- FRESHMEN

BENEDICTA

Juniors . . . SENIORS OF THE FUTURE

OFFICERS ROOM 107

Standing — K. Beran, President; A. Holden, Treasurer; Seated — J. Zeller, Secretary, L. Berner, Vice-President.

OFFICERS ROOM 103

Standing—M. Sieffert, Treasurer; Seated—M. Mulvihill, Secretary; D. Jackson, President; T. Kute, Vice-President.

Our junior year is rapidly reaching its end; we turn back and reminisce the highlights of these days.

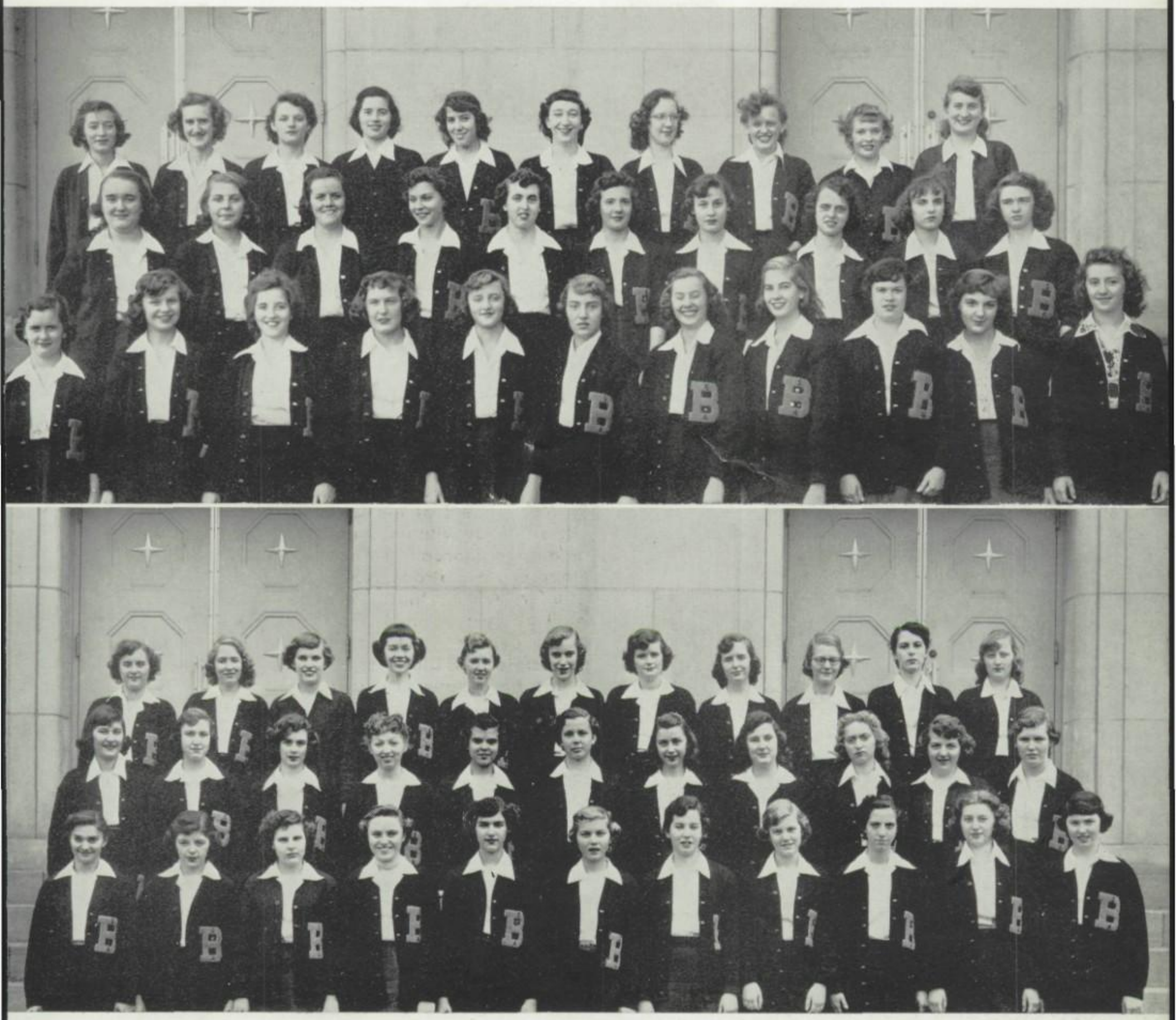
The first colorful event was the receiving of our class rings in a beautiful, unforgetable ring ceremony, the first ever held at S. B. A. Next we recall our Christmas Dance, "The Winter Whirl," held at the Colonial. What a grand success it was with an evening of real enjoyment for all. On February 14 and 15, we entertained hundreds of patrons with our presentation of "Shubert Alley." In it we lived the story of a small girl struggling so hard to achieve success as an actress in the big city. (We certainly appreciate Miss Dice's help and patience through all the hetic days of practice and rehearsals.)

In March we demonstrated our talent as orators when thirteen of us participated in a Junior Town Meeting on Duquesne's radio station, WDUQ. The discussion on Universal Conscription was interesting and exciting.

Terminating our list of memories was the Senior Banquet which we sponsored as a final farewell to our seniors.

We could not have achieved what we did scholastically without the help and cooperation we received from our teachers, Sisters Hildegard, Amelia, Isabel, and Kathleen.

All these precious events are now a part of our past; we experience a feeling of satisfaction, for we have finally reached the ultimate goal of all juniors — SENIORDOM.



ROOM 103

THIRD ROW: P. Benner, R. Bundy, R. Sukstus, J. Dillon, C. Drab, M. Zeglowitch, E. Schrenk, M. Kuszajewski, F. Vesel, C. Manchor.

SECOND ROW: V. Baren, N. Francis, E. Galvin, D. Glinsky, A. Schillo, D. Beidl, J. Miller, N. Elmeier, D. Kress, P. O'Brien.

FIRST ROW: K. Aaron, M. Kaylor, M. Boat, M. Ligday, G. Beyer, R. Sperandeo, V. Muth, P. Boden, J. Snodgrass, D. Sinatra, S. Klemens.

ROOM 107

THIRD ROW: H. Rosenberger, N. Byrner, L. Cummings, M. A. Curran, M. Stephany, M. A. Geary, H. Newell, M. A. Conners, C. A. Farabaugh, B. Hurray, A. Arch.

SECOND ROW: M. Keenan, M. Putz, P. Barker, A. R. Laurinitus, P. Seiber, M. A. Chereck, J. Roll, P. Garvey, S. Connolly, G. Conlon, M. Harvey.

FIRST ROW: C. Delbene, B. Bingham, P. Sanderson, M. Chapman, D. Pavicic, B. Duffy, R. R. Sell, H. Brientenbach, L. Tschudi, B. Fisher, R. Miller.

Juniors . . . READY TO ASSUME LEADERSHIP

ROOM 7

THIRD ROW: M. A. Meinert, V. Brimmeier, J. Metzger, Y. Ettore, P. Raehn, G. McCauley, M. Splane, K. Butler, M. Eidenschenk.

SECOND ROW: M. L. Fisher, J. Korinsky, D. Stacklin, M. T. Conlon, J. Smith, M. Glaser, H. Krall, P. Armstrong, G. Staudenmaier, D. McKeen.

FIRST ROW: M. M. Mayer, E. Pitassi, R. Steegler, M. G. Fortum, J. O'Brien, P. McGortey, L. Rausch, D. Wysocki, P. Schwartz, J. Ekl.

ROOM 104

THIRD ROW: L. Birsic, D. Doyle, E. Gales, B. Hutchison, H. Jackmenovich, M. C. Connolly, G. Gierl, M. L. Graswick, J. Collins, H. Loesch, E. Katic.

SECOND ROW: M. McCue, H. Halder, R. Nemeth, G. Sawyer, S. Patricko, J. Zupzic, D. LaGamba, M. Ufheil, M. A. Snyder, B. Kazura, B. Hunkele.

FIRST ROW: B. Lickert, M. Horn, R. Schnabele, P. Ford, N. Brandl, L. Clair, C. Kunz, C. Kroll, A. M. Debes, J. Filip, R. M. Gerst. Absent: L. Kroll, I. Dorsch.

SOPHOMORES

In the mirror of our hearts, we visualize unforgettable memories . . . the Sophs Get Acquainted Day . . . the Sophomore Dance . . . our eager participation in the Writers' Club . . . Radio and Broadcasting School . . . we can still hear the melodious voices of the Glee Club . . . the shouts at the basketball games and intermural tussels still ring in our ears and hearts . . . The pleadings of Father Norbert's inspiring retreat etched deeply their message . . .

Standing now on the threshold of our Junior year, we have a message and a greeting . . . Freshmen, use well the opportunities of tomorrow . . . we wish you all the pleasures we enjoyed as Sophomores.

To Sisters Marcella, Frances, Benigna, and Demetria, for their helpful guidance and warm friendship we say, "thank you."

OFFICERS ROOM 204

Left to Right

E. Vavro, Treasurer; M. Geier, Secretary; J. Ganster, President; L. Winskey, Vice-President.

TWO MORE YEARS FOR OPPORTUNITY

SOPHOMORES

OFFICERS ROOM 208

Left to Right:—

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COMING THIS FAR THROUGH WORK AND PRAYER.

FIRST ROW: F. Morder, J. Ackerman, D. Cain, M. Ciroula, S. Brown, E. Meckler, D. Biertempfel, J. Eideljae, L. Kocian, D. Peart, R. Raub, A. Schurer.

SECOND ROW: M. Miller, M. Lamneck, M. Murphy, R. Rohsner, P. Reed, C. McManus, M. Olsen, N. Stephens, V. Sehwertz, J. Killmeyer, E. Kuhs.

THIRD ROW: J. Brueckner, M. J. Maestall, C. Kreuzer, M. Newall, M. J. Schawalder, V. Yockel, M. L. Coll, G. Wroblewski, V. Vaianisi, M. Connors.

ROOM 208

ROOM 209

FIRST ROW: S. Catalano, B. A. DeMarco, C. Yost, B. Helfrich, G. Ackerman, M. Weigand, P. Sypolt, D. Rhoden, M. Owens, B. Jacoby, B. Loibl.

SECOND ROW: V. Costlow, S. Ford, B. Dettling, J. Gross, L. Ferraccio, T. Urbanic, C. Hepp, C. Smith, M. L. Falvo, M. Newman.

THIRD ROW: P. Newman, C. Kovacich, L. Rupp, M. Wilson, R. Zern, B. Sabina, J. Simmons, G. Smith, M. Youkers, B. Meade.

FOURTH ROW: P. Derganz, J. Laratonda, M. Hennigan, M. A. Moore, H. Yulkulski, M. L. Luby, G. M. Milligan, P. Stephonic, A. Krebs, P. Tollan.

ROOM 204

FIRST ROW: E. Seitz, T. Howarth, L. Barkley, J. Floyd, E. Martinac, C. Hynes, R. Waldorf, E. Carmody, L. Easler, S. Kuhn.

SECOND ROW: K. Karch, M. Faulhaber, A. Ferrelly, A. Romano, I. Keel, L. McKain, F. McSorley, A. Britenbaugh, B. Stanek, R. Bowers.

THIRD ROW: M. L. Steinmiller, J. Lokar, N. Shade, B. Whitten, R. Geyer, J. Watts, S. Wentzel, B. Winterberger.

FOURTH ROW: B. Kursion, D. Darges, A. Dorsch, R. Pschirer, L. Markl, J. Nee.

Absent: M. J. Lukaszewica, Weigand.

Sophomores . . . ONWARD, EVER ONWARD

OFFICERS ROOM 209

Left to Right: E. Scannell, Sec'y.; P. McComb, Treas.; J. Wacker, Pres.; R. Borman, V. Pres.

OFFICERS ROOM 210

Left to Right: C. Bopp, V. Pres.; J. Croke, Treas.; P. McArdle, Sec'y.; M. A. Kronenberger, Pres.

ROOM 210

TOP ROW: S. Rogal, C. Krause, D. Heim, B. Kahn, M. L. Meyer, P. Saffer, C. Frank, J. Dorgan, P. Styborski, F. Gebhardt, H. Zelik, A. Werl.

CENTER ROW: R. M. Frost, B. Faust, D. Hergenroeder, S. Deegan, L. Sukstus, H. Laurinastis, H. Hosek, B. Bauer, J. Bullion, C. Bates, S. Paulisch.

FRONT ROW: Z. Flaherty, A. L. Conlon, A. Wally, M. V. Parrish, J. Weiser, R. Heim, M. Gloss, V. Foerster, E. Hogan, E. Hogan, S. Keady, M. E. Mahan.

Absent: P. Straub, M. Welsh.

A START FOR BETTER LIVING

On the fourth day of the ninth month in the fifty-first year of the twentieth century, 183 of us "green" freshies attended our first day of high school at S. B. A. The convivial experiences we encountered during the first two weeks helped us get acquainted with fellow students and teachers.

Shortly after the first of November we were initiated by our "big sisters," the Sophs. We were given Green Chokers and ribbons which we had to wear for one month. All dressed up in this paraphernalia, we went to our first dance, "The Frosty Frolic."

On the serious side our Freshman year has laid a deep foundation on which to build during our remaining three years at S. B. A.

OFFICERS ROOM 5

J. Berbach .....Treasurer
J. Rebaritsch .....President
N. Maruscak .....Secretary
E. Waldorf .....Vice-President

FRESHMEN

OFFICERS ROOM 3

Standing:
G. Bayat .....Treasurer
A. Hajduk .....Secretary
Seated:
L. A. Heintzinger .....President
M. A. Conley.....Vice-President

OFFICERS ROOM 4

Left to Right:
K. McCollough .....Treasurer
F. Bletecky .....President
E. Romano .....Vice-President
M. A. Gaertner .....Secretary

OFFICERS ROOM 9

Standing:
P. Luft .....Treasurer
M. Kaib .....Secretary
Seated:
B. L. Popchak .....President
M. Sins .....Vice-President

Freshmen . . . WITH MARY OUR GUIDE

ROOM 9

FOURTH ROW: D. Glasa, M. K. Harvat, J. Bubarth, B. Winkler, G. Pukanic, H. Mekovsky, M. Vevers.

THIRD ROW: C. Minakin, A. Klaesa, A. Ging, P. Radgowski, P. Gaspers, H. Pasternoster, A. Steinmiller, M. Kinzler, E. Binder.

SECOND ROW: C. Murtha, J. Bach, P. Berg, D. Barkley, A. Gruss, P. Schwarzmeier, R. A. Hepp, J. Herr, P. Portman, J. Krenn, J. Barr.

FIRST ROW: E. Yost, M. Fraehlick, M. R. Laquarta, C. Floyd, P. Micklos, S. Kennelly, M. McAfee, M. J. Musher, J. Belardi, R. A. Rothlein, J. Manna.

ROOM 5

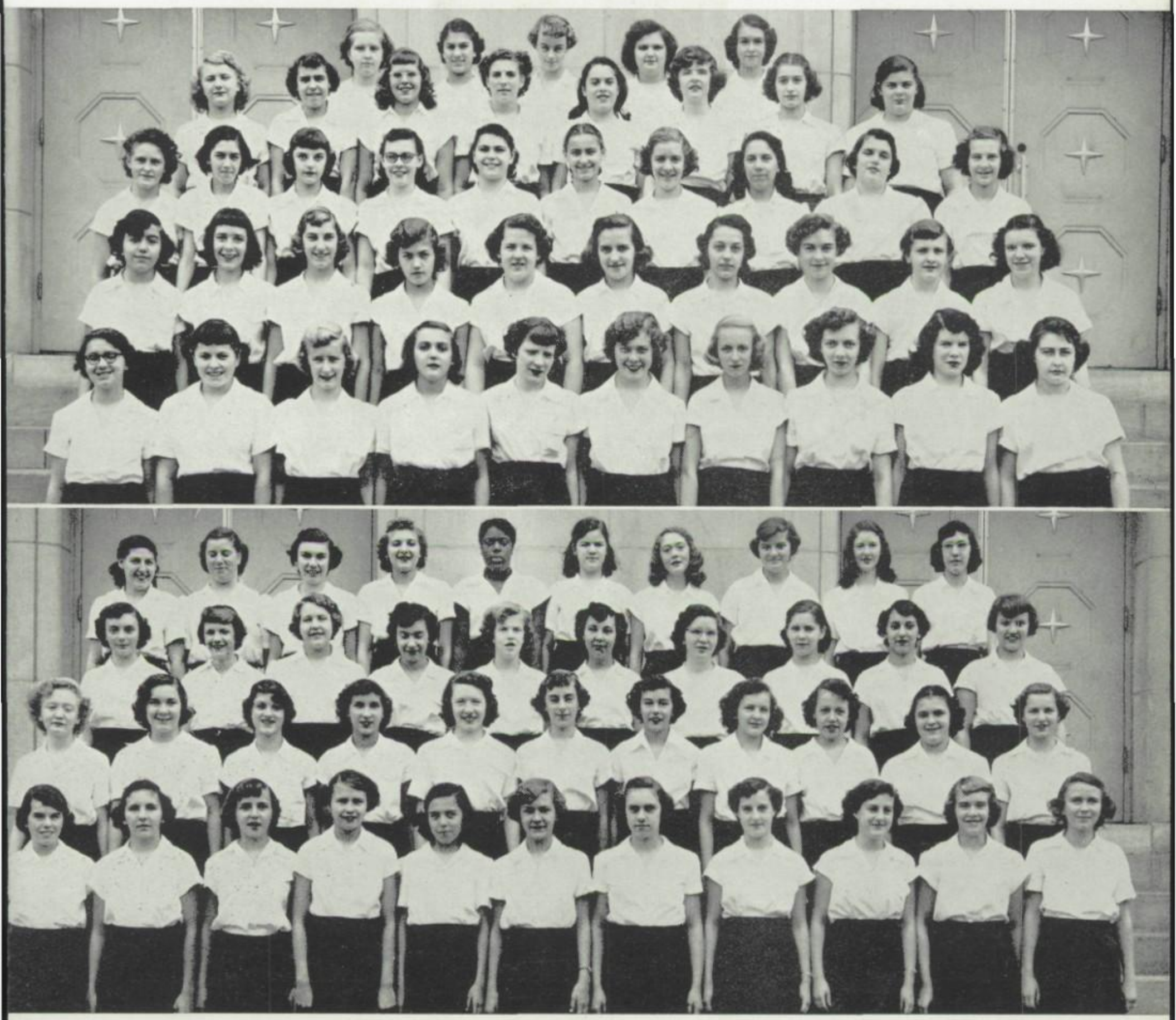
FOURTH ROW: J. Guentner, C. Marmo, C. Wiegand, L. Matoka, L. Karolski, M. Klein, N. Schueler, J. Cronin, K. McGuigan, D. Yetter.

THIRD ROW: S. Wenzel, R. Karolski, J. Sabalovic, J. Schroeffel, G. Salinetro, P. Coleman, L. Bock, B. A. Preskar, K. Matulevic, R. Saunders.

SECOND ROW: M. A. Jackling, L. Zotter, C. McCormick, L. Mock, B. A. Conway, G. Friedal, B. Van Devender, E. McCall, E. Mammey, M. Kuhn, M. Nickel.

FIRST ROW: P. Maus, J. Wivell, M. A. Jackson, A. Nau, C. Arrigo, M. A. Baznik, M. Cooper, P. Zwick, J. Firaben, L. A. Dauer, R. Gormick. Absent — V. Scanlon

WE EMBARK ON A STRANGE SEA.



ROOM 4

FIRST ROW: A. Vunak, I. Hauck, P. Wigley, M. Reismeyer, M. Brown, P. Stengel, A. Bahl, M. Hayes, H. M. Moore, M. J. McCrea.
SECOND ROW: J. Carch, A. M. Rochfor, E. Heintz, J. Pack, B. Salzer, D. Pfeffer, M. Kroll, E. Richards, R. M. Palora, E. Wasieluvski.
THIRD ROW: J. A. Wagner, D. Dawson, M. Snyder, D. McCalley, N. Bodyke, A. Wernert, C. Di Thomas, N. Leach, A. Yeager.
FOURTH ROW: F. Kocian, R. M. Vietmeir, M. Kreuzer, P. Babic, J. Nieri, A. M. Coffee, D. Sham, M. Stauffer.
FIFTH ROW: B. Smith, M. Bechtold, P. Pschirer, M. Prementine, S. Becki.

ROOM 3

FOURTH ROW: G. Manning, M. Blum, D. Donavan, J. Eggert, D. J. Clayborne, M. L. Schwoegl, M. Taylor, A. Fleckenstein, P. Reilly, A. Ubinger.
THIRD ROW: M. A. Malinaski, P. O'Lear, A. Busher, S. Angelo, M. Cummings, H. Bickert, M. J. Becker, P. Anuszkiewirz, M. Pecararo, H. Hajduk.
SECOND ROW: P. Paulson, D. Kralik, B. Cole, B. Cole, G. Grenecko, P. Doerr, T. Smith, D. Forbes, L. Frank, G. Cessar, F. Putz, S. A. Sell.
FIRST ROW: A. McCourt, C. Lipke, M. L. Carroll, P. Stiegerwald, L. Hanzel, Y. Karinsky, M. J. Staud, M. Rederer, M. Rederer, S. Johnston, J. Jones.
Absent — M. Kramer, M. Petrancasta.

BENEDICTA

- RELIGION
- ORGANIZATIONS
- SPORTS
- PUBLICATIONS
- MUSIC

ACTIVITIES HAVE PLAYED AN IMPORTANT PART IN OUR LIVES AT SAINT BENEDICT'S

CO-EDITORS OF BENEDICTA

M. Grimm L. Staud

"The Benedicta" is a story in pictures of life at S. B. A. In the swift-passing years, we members of '52 may longingly renew acquaintances, vividly remember classes and teachers, and graphically recapture the sunniest days of our lives, the carefree, high-school days, by turning the pages of this memory book.

Every girl on the staff earnestly co-operated to record the "best events" of the past four years, the little "nothings" which are so precious to the actors in the drama of school life. In harrowing moments, in the rewriting of "masterpieces," during the long, demanding hours spent with Mr. Young, the editors doubted the possibility of their producing a yearbook! But ideas blossomed and developed into "The Benedicta" of '52.

The entire staff extends a sincere "thank you" to Sister Louise for her expert supervision and patient handling of a difficult assignment.

EDITORIAL STAFF

Seated: F. Sweeney, J. Frank, J. Whitby, S. Jacob, V. Ondrick, M. A. Brunn, R. Wagner, D. Macak.

Standing: J. Portman, K. Garvey, J. Schwab, L. Lehberger, L. Ferketic.

Benedicta

ART STAFF

Standing—G. Aland, N. McLaughlin
Seated—A. Krevoch, D. Hepp

TYPISTS

Standing—M. Langer, J. Chmay
Seated—F. Zubalic, A. Boehm, C. Meckler, G. Camp.

PORTRAYING STUDENT LIFE BY PICTURES

BUSINESS STAFF

E. Brandt

L. Froehlich

S. Heiser

The Benita

Mary Patton Adelaide O'Lear Marcia Steele

What will we write about? What news items have we forgotten? Who has charge of the fashion column? The editorial? Has the proofreader stamped her O.K. on this copy?

These and many other perplexing problems confronted our diligent Benita journalists. Industrious—very! Day before deadline the staff meets and examines the articles. In one corner Mitzi and Marty are speaking enthusiastically about their writeup, "Scads of Fads." This is a new column and requires hard and assiduous work. The girls' predictions on the styles, the materials, and the colors of clothes are very revealing and helpful. June and Angie are working on their copy of "The Book Nook". Pat, Char, and Mary Lee meticulously check "Glimpses of Graduates," for last minute corrections before copy goes to printer. Lois and Kathleen are always concerned over the material handed them for "The Chatter Churn". The rest of the staff are bustling about seeing that the required assignments are written and ready to be checked. The proofreaders work continually through the afternoon checking and rechecking the various stories, making sure the grammar is flawless. Each story is read line for line until their job is completed. Marcia, Adelaide, and Izzy arrange the articles in columns separating the news from the editorials.

Thanks to Sister Mildred for her assistance in supervising and helping the staff. To Mr. Weigand also goes special thanks for contributing all the cuts used in the five issues of the Benita.

Standing—L. Naab, S. Heiser, A. Bauer, A. Elmeier
Seated—J. Schmude, M. A. Hoffman, E. Boyer

THEY PUBLISH THE NEWS THAT'S FIT TO PRINT

Standing—A. Walsh, M. Mangold, C. Stander, M. L. Kelsch, K. Galate, J. Bienemann, J. Roth, A. Mancuso.
Seated—C. Weiser, G. A. Brocke, M. Foerster, L. Grabowski, M. Gaugler, M. Good, J. Matoka.

BENEDICTA

First Row: J. Whitby, J. Frank J. Portman.

Second Row: S. Jacob, N. Brunn, L. Staud, M. Grimm

Third Row: L. Froehlich, M. Mentel, R. Wagner, B. Brandt, V. Ondrick, L. Lehberger, L. Ferketic, D. Macak.

Absent—K. Garvey

BENITA

First Row: M. L. Kelsch, M. Steele, A. O'Lear, M. Patton, A. Walsh

Second Row: J. Matoka, P. Murphy, G. A. Brocke, M. Foerster, C. Weiser, M. Good, M. Gaugler

Quill and Scroll

SKILL DESERVES MERIT

The girls who successfully edited the school paper, "The Benita", and the annual, "The Benedicta", have received their coveted rewards, membership in the Quill and Scroll Honor Society. Through the medium of the school publications, the young journalists had splendid opportunities to exercise their creative abilities.

The cooperative and coordinated efforts of the editorial, business, and typing staffs produced noteworthy results which evoked praise from the student body and faculty.

The girls are thankful to Sisters Louise and Mildred for their helpful guidance, and for memories of "forced" last minute articles, proof reading of galleys, setting up dummy copies, and the satisfactory "feeling" of pride each literary success produced.

The twenty-eight new members of the S. B. A. Chapter of the Quill and Scroll Honor Society are proud not only of their membership approval by the executive secretary of the organization in recognition of a job well done; they are even prouder for the privilege of wearing the insignia the Society's regulation pin, as a token of their literary achievements.

Busy People . . . WORKING TO HELP OTHERS

STAMP COMMITTEE

Standing: J. Rochford, D. Nagy, J. Bienemann, B. J. Crumbo, A. Greco, B. Horn, L. Staud, C. Weiser

Seated: K. Flowers, M. Funfar, M. Foerster, J. Weigand

COMMUNITY CHEST COMMITTEE

G. Aland ..... Vice-Chairman
M. Weigl .....Chairman
A. Boehm, R. Kusner, J. Merman

AMERICAN JR. RED CROSS

Standing: G. Zovko, K. Flowers, G. A. Brocke, R. Wagner, J. Matoka,

Seated: M. A. Hoffman, P. Garvey, M. Mangold, M. Gaugler

History Honors....

LIFE IS HISTORY

Standing—L. Lehberger

Seated—First Row: D. Macak, P. Boden, E. McGuire, M. L. Kelsch. Second Row: G. A. Brocke, J. Zeller, R. M. Dabrozdrovic, L. Ferketic. Third Row: D. Hepp, D. McCabe, J. Schwab, L. Cummings.

The History Honor Society has played an important part in the academic life of students of Saint Benedict Academy. This year it has given thirteen girls an opportunity to participate in the work and the pleasures it affords its members.

The purpose of this organization is to give high school students greater knowledge of the history of Pennsylvania, and hence, a deeper appreciation of the State's share in building up American Heritage. Through the efforts of Sister Paul Marie, C.D.P., the acting moderator, the History Honor Society reached the goals proposed in October of 1951.

The biggest event of the year was the spring annual tour to a historic spot in Pennsylvania. In December, the members were privileged to enjoy a shorter tour to Saint Vincent College. A lecture on "Catholics and American Freedom" was given in Antonian Hall, Mount Mercy College, by Professor J. M. O'Neill, lecturer and author. A contest of important persons, places and events in Catholic Western Pennsylvania history was sponsored, which stirred up competition among the students.

The students represented in the History Honor Society from Saint Benedict Academy are thankful for the advantage of participating in the varied program of this student organization.

Standing—J. Schwab, D. Macak, M. Patton, J. Whitby, M. Steele, M. Foerster.
Seated—B. Brandt, J. Matoka, M. Weigl, A. Walsh, J. Frank, J. Portman, R. Hartung, C. Weiser, M. L. Kelsch, S. Jacob, L. Staud, E. McGuire

National Honors

UPWARD AND ONWARD

On this page eighteen seniors are depicted. They are extraordinary girls, although they don't appear different from the rest of us. They excel in Scholarship, Leadership, Character, and Service, the achievements necessary for membership in the National Honor Society.

SCHOLARSHIP . . . throughout the four years of their high school career, the eighteen students maintained an average of 90% or more in every subject.

LEADERSHIP . . . they have been judged by the faculty as the girls with enthusiasm and initiative plus, whose example was a potent factor in leading others to greater efficiency.

CHARACTER . . . they possessed distinctive character traits which made them Mary-like in their influence upon others.

SERVICE . . . they were always ready and willing to perform small favors for teachers and fellow students.

The girls who have been chosen by the faculty as new members of the Honor Society can be classified as "1952's WOMEN OF DISTINCTION." Their four year's training in leadership and co-operative endeavors with their teachers and classmates provide a testing ground for community and civic participation. As in the past, so may they continue in the future to give their assistance and untiring efforts to those with whom they might associate.

Standing—M. Patton, A. Walsh
First Row—J. Croake, M. A. Curran, L. Staud, M. Steele
Second Row—K. Beran, H. Knoll, A. Arch, H. Hosek
Third Row—C. Bates, B. Brandt, P. Barker

Science Honor....

KNOWLEDGE DESERVES MERIT

This year Sister Regina, the school moderator, found twelve S. B. A. scholars from the biology, chemistry, and physics classes eligible for membership in the SCIENCE HONOR SOCIETY. The members of the Society, guided by Brother Gregory Nazianzen, F. S. C. of Central Catholic, are girls and boys from Catholic schools in the city of Pittsburgh who wish to broaden their scientific knowledge.

At the bimonthly Thursday meetings the members participate in discussions, hear lectures, and see demonstrations given by professionals in the scientific field. A noted researcher from Mellon Institute lectured and ran movies on oil and its products. He told the members about the excessively large and sharply pointed drills used to pierce the rock formations below the earth's surface while digging the well. A physicist from Duquesne University spoke on the subject, "The Catholic View Point on Evolution." His theme interested the audience since evolution is a theory which is universally discussed. The pseudo scientist's comment is that evolution contradicts Catholic principles. The talk proved this remark false. A Catholic may or may not accept the theory on evolution as long as he believes that the soul comes directly from God.

After the serious matters are disposed of, the evening usually ends with refreshments and dancing. Boring? On the contrary, very stimulating. Every ambitious member dreams his dream of helping mankind to better living through the handmaid of SCIENCE.

Literary Honor....

THE PEN REAPS RICH REWARDS

Standing: K. Aaron, J. Collins, J. Whitby, V. Ondrick, M. L. Fisher.
Seated: M. Grimm, A. Holden, G. Conlon, J. Matoka, C. Weiser, M. A. Connors, J. Frank, A. R. Laurinaitis.

Little sheets of paper . . . little dabs of ink . . . the magic of a pen or pencil . . . to write the things you think. This poetic sentiment sums up the multiple activities in which the members of the Writer's Club engage. The girls who compose this organization are selected on the basis of scholarship and literary abilities. Some of their written compositions have appeared in the Annual and the school paper, The Benita, for for each offers an opportunity to exhibit journalistic talents. An incentive for scholarly themes, both in prose and poetry is offered the members through various competitive agencies. The school publications, "The Benita" and "The Benedicta" also give opportunities for publishing the journalistic attempts of the young aspiring scribes.

The members of the Writer's Club have a choice of three fields of writing: poetry, creative writing, and journalism. Honest efforts in one or all these fields are rewarded in the knowledge that one's creative skills are exercised and find expression in a finished product. What greater satisfaction can one experience than to have his or her theme judged best in a local or national contest! The Club is ably directed under the leadership of Sister Mildred, O.S.B.

Every student interested in a journalistic career should endeavor to become a member of the Writer's Club for it is a stepping stone to a career in writing.

Business Club....

SECRETARIES OF TOMORROW

Standing—M. Foerster, A. Mancuso, J. Roth
Seated—A. Bauer, L. Birsic, K. Garvey, G. Gierl, M. A. Hoffman, E. J. Galvin, L. Clair, R. Burkhard

At the request of Reverend Father Quigley, a new organization, the Diocesan Business Club, was established this year. The main purpose of the Business Club is to organize an active chapter in every school teaching business subjects which is to operate completely independent of the Diocesan unit.

The first social activity held by the Club was a Communion Breakfast. The members attended Mass and received Holy Communion in a body at St. Paul's Cathedral. Breakfast was served at the Schenley Hotel. Both Brother Charles, F.S.C., of Central Catholic, Moderator, and Dr. Dorothy C. Finkelhor, Dean and Founder of the Business Training College, gave enlightening talks on this occasion.

The meetings which were called during the year were conducted in a very friendly manner. After completing matters on the agenda, the floor was usually opened for suggestions relative to the advancement of the club. A get-together party with luncheon, dancing, (and a movie at Saint Benedict Academy), closed the evening.

The Diocesan Business Club is too new to have accomplished anything "outstanding" but it does offer a challenge to students interested in commercial subjects.

Standing—A. Walsh, J. Gangster, F. Blatecky, J. Ribaritsch, A. Brucker, D. Donovan, J. Wacker, M. Gloss, J. Roth
Sitting—D. McCabe, D. Jackson, P. Murphy, J. Whitby, J. Frank, K. Beran, C. Farabaugh, B. L. Popchek, L. A. Heinzenger, A. O'Lear, L. Lehberger, M. Patton
Back to Camera—D. Macak

Student Council . . . GOVERNING BODY

M. A. Kronenberger .....Treasurer
D. Macak ..... President
M. Patton ..... Vice-President
D. McCabe ....Secretary

Composed of the home room presidents and activity representatives, the Student Council investigates, legislates, and remedies many of students' problems. It builds up firmer and clearer understanding between the students and the faculty.

Cooperating with their moderator, Sister M. Antoinette, this year's Student Council members originated and encouraged the students to actively participate in the projects launched by them.

The organization campaigned for subscriptions to the "Queen's Work", a monthly Catholic magazine, acted as hall monitors, sponsored dancing lessons for all students interested, invited Fathers Walker, Whelan, and O'Malley to address the girls.

Father Walker spent an entire day teaching Parliamentary Procedure.

Each student was thoroughly impressed after Father Whelan's talk. He related a terrifying episode he experienced on a troop ship in the North Atlantic. After it was bombed and torpedoed, Father Whelan helped in evacuating the doomed ship. He found himself with sixty-two cold and hungry men in a twenty-five-man boat. Because all lives in this boat were saved, Father Whelan is spending his life in spreading devotion to Mary.

Father O' Malley, an American missionary in the "wilds" of Brazil, spoke of his experiences in caring for a large community of "semi-savage" natives of the country.

Senior Play

Weeks of preparation . . . days of worry . . . many hours of rehearsals . . . all led to the presentation of the Senior play, "New Fires." The actors from North Catholic and actresses of 1952 will recall with a smile the many incidents that were a format to their "first performance."

Miss Dice's anxious words of correction and Sister M. Kathleen's exhaustless patience prepared the Dramatis Personae to step on to the brightly lit stage on opening night. The audience did not hear the nervous beating of hearts; they only viewed the cool smoothness, the finished product of capable direction and hard practice.

When the curtain closed after Act 3 the players felt as professional and as proud as "Broadway" stars of the stage. The curtain call brought the players on the stage for a hearty applause—the finale of "New Fires!"

Acting ability is portrayed annually in the Senior Class Play

Standing—L. Grabowski, B. Steele, S. Heiser, M. Patton, A. Boll, M. Hoffman, B. Steinbach, M. L. Kehr, B. Wescott, V. Ondrick, G. Zovko, L. Kronenberger, M. Weigl.

Sitting—J. Roth, A. Walsh, B. Brandt, J. Matoka, N. Brunn, M. Grimm, D. Macak, A. Mancuso, M. L. Kelsch. Absent—L. Staud

Forensics . . . .

Speech enthusiasts and ambitious young debaters form the fulcrum of the Benedictine Chapter of the National and the Catholic Forensic Leagues. The forensic group of workers constitutes the largest and most active organization in the school. Freshmen, sophomores, juniors, and seniors, all have participated in week-end tournaments and student congresses. One big aim of these speech enthusiasts is to better their speaking abilities and at the same time maintain the high rating S. B. A. has in the society. Since 1945, at which time St. Benedict's became a permanent member of the National League, the Academy has forged itself up to the point where it now ranks seventh in the state (according to January 1, 1952, statistics.)

Under the guidance of Sister M. Perpetua, the moderator of forensics at S.B.A., this group is greatly contributing to the cultural advancement of the Academy.

Standing—Sister M. Perpetua and K. Berran, President
Seated—M. Halder, M. Gloss, F. Blatecky, M. A. Geary, L. Berner, P. Reilly, S. Clemens, B. L. Popchak, T. Kute, N. A. Yeager, M. A. Gaertner, P. Styborsky, L. Birsic, P. Riesmeyer, H. Newell

Row 1 — C. Bates, L. Staud, M. L. Kelsch, P. Berg, J. Wivell, E. Waldorf, S. Ford, M. A. Conley, G. Bayat.
Row 2 — A. Hajduk, A. Bucher, P. Zern, S. Angelo, M. Steele, J. Barr, A. Klaese, R. Nemeth, J. Ganster.
Row 3—M. Taylor, H. Hajduk, A. Fleckenstein, B. Dettling, J. Eggert, C. A. Farabaugh, L. A. Heintzinger, H. Zelik, P. Suktus.
Row 4 — M. Lytle, E. Scannell, S. Degan, J. Wacher, P. Stephonic, G. Pukanic, M. Wilson, L. Rupp, M. L. Fischer.
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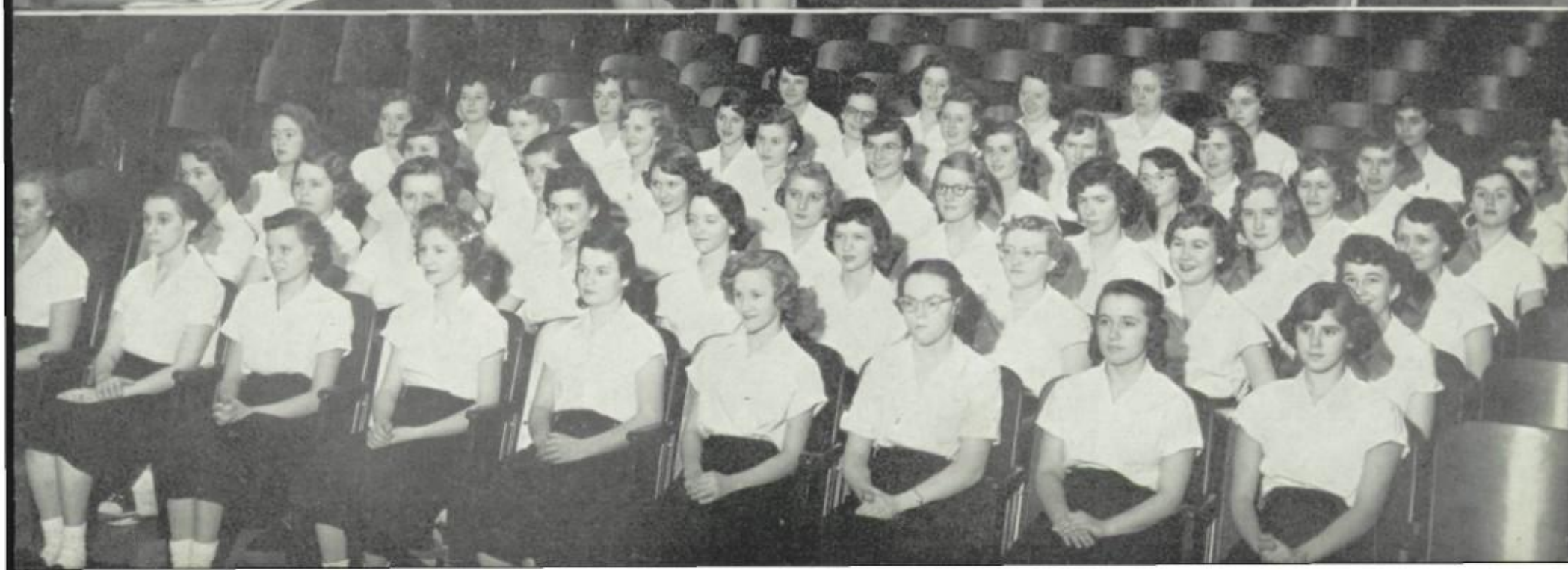
Row 6—J. Gross, M. Boat, P. Doerr, L. Grabowski, B. Brandt, L. Ferraccio, E. Kuhs.



Margie and Marlene enjoy a pleasant visit with our Chaplain, Father Wiesmann.

Religion

Religion is to each S. B. A. student what *tools are in the hands of a proficient doctor in* an arduous operation. Suppose a patient has an unusual brain injury and must have immediate attention. He is rushed to the operating room, prepared for surgery; the instruments are there ready for use; all the essential preparations have been cared for—the doctor enters. The outcome of the operation depends on the skill of the surgeon. He uses the scalpel skillfully and dexterously because he has not only read medical books but has made medical surgery his life's first choice.

Religion is the same. It has furnished the students many tools through the weekly instructions of Father Rowan, the talks of Father Wiesmann, the graces culled during the days of annual retreats, plus the knowledge received during the regular religion classes. The Chapel door is never closed. God is present there always ready to listen to petitions and to advise in difficult problems. Yes, these tools are ever at *the student's disposal, but they are worthless if* they are not put into actual use. Religion cannot be turned off and on like water in the faucet. It must be exercised today, tomorrow, and all other tomorrows of our lives. All for the Honor and Glory of God!

Mass . . . a perfect beginning for a student's day.

Mother Dolores . . . President of S.B.A.

AND HIS VOICE SHALL BE HEARD . . .

Father Alvin's kindly jesture after a busy day.

Some day my name will be there!

Students engrossed in prayer at first Mass in auditorium.

I give Thee this crown, dear Mother Mary.

Dedication....

He guards all within.

Advantages are obligations.

There are eyes that are misty, eyes that are bright.

Lose no chance of giving pleasure.

To round out her life.

Dedication is a memorable occasion.

BEAUTY LENDS ENCHANTMENT

Because "All the world loves a song," the members of the Glee Club and the Orchestra rendered melodious entertainments during the past year at public performances and student assemblies. Both organizations spent hours and hours in practice and demonstrated steady improvement; the Glee Club was directed by Sister Gonzaga, and the Orchestra, by Sister Mary Grace.

The girls of the Glee Club, with perfectly blending voices, sang the joyful carols for the entire student body during the Pre-Christmas Season. When the "'Cinderella Ballet" was played in January, the Orchestra and the Glee Club combined their talents to add to the sum total of enjoyment at its presentation.

At the Dedicatory Exercises of the Academy in September, the Glee Club played an active part. The heart-inspiring arrangement of "In A Monastery Garden," and "Trees" was rendered to a hushed audience. The clear, lilting voices of the girls again resounded through the Auditorium as they sang the classic songs in the "Spring Cantata," first such program ever staged by the Academy.

First Row—D. Kralik, S. Connelly, C. McCormick

Second Row—M. Conley, B. Kazura, B. Hutchison

Music

First Row—C. Marmo, S. Connelly, C. McCormick, M. Basnick, V. Costlow, L. Sukstus, J. Bullion

Second Row—J. Grass, D. Kralik, K. McCullough, A. Coffey, M. Malinoski, H. Zelik

Third Row—R. Zern, B. Dettling, P. Stephonic, L. Ferroccio, C. Farabaugh, M. Kaib, B. Smith, G. Bayot

Fourth Row—M. Conley, B. Kazura, D. Claybonne, M. Petrancosto, S. Ford, B. Hutchison, L. Hanzel, Sister Mary Grace

VARSITY

Standing—J. Whitby (mgr.), D. McCabe, A. Krevosh, B. Gruber, (coach), J. Schwab, M. Zeglowitsch, R. Galvin(mgr.)

Seated—M. Schwab, F. Gebhardt, C. Frank, J. Frank, R. Bergman, A. Brucker, J. Portman

Kneeling—P. Garvey, P. Ufheil, V. Muth, N. Doyle, J. Snodgrass.

JUNIOR VARSITY

Standing — J. Frank, (coach), J. Schwab (coach), M. A. Kronenberger, N. Stephens, A. Krebs, J. Dorgan, P. McArdle, E. Saffer, M. L. Meyer, B. Galvin (mgr.), B. Kahn (mgr.)

Seated—N. Francis, M. Halder, E. Hogan, V. Foerster, E. Hogan, D. Heim, M. Sieffert

On Floor—T. Howarth, B. Whitten

SEASONS RECORD

			S.B.A.	Opp.
Dec.	9	St. Adalbert	33	23
	19	St. Basil	29	33
	27	St. Basil	44	38
Jan.	2	St. Mary's Shpg. *	36	34
	10	Mt. Alvernia	38	24
	12	Alumni	36	29
	18	Annunciation *	46	28
	21	St. Adalbert	46	21
	25	St. Rosalia *	30	28
	28	St. Michael	36	17
Feb.	1	Annunciation *	33	23
	4	St. Mary's Mt.	39	33
	7	Cathedral *	43	35
	10	Mt. Assisi	59	40
Feb.	15	St. Michael	44	30
	18	St. Mary's Mt.	32	45
	22	St. Mary's Shpg. *	35	32
	25	St. Casimer	49	34
	29	Cathedral *	50	42
Mar.	3	Mt. Assisi	43	35
	5	Saltsburg T.	31	24
	7	St. Rosalia *	31	38
	10	Bethel Boro T.	48	19
	13	Ormsby T.	36	39

* League Game

T Tournament Game

Season Record: 20 Victories — 3 Defeats

Basketball . . . .

DEVELOPING TRUE TEAM SPIRIT

St. Benedict's Varsity went out to give her competitors a rough time this year. Due to the expert coaching of Mr. Bill Gruber, the wonderful team spirit, the playing ability of the team, and the cheering fans, the Varsity captured the trophy for Class A High School Championship. In the league games, S. B. A. won 7 and lost 1. The basketball season ended with a total of 20 wins and 3 losses.

The team is to be commended for its long hours of practicing. Three times a week the players could be seen working very diligently to get in condition for their strenous playing.

There are many events the team will remember, the first league game with St. Mary's Sharpsburg, being one. With a tied score and only a minute to play, S. B. A. won by a two point margin, the score being 36 - 34. The league game with St. Rosalia was a hard-fought winning battle, the final score reading 30 - 28. And last but not least of the memorable tilts was the trip to Turtle Creek for the tournament championship. The Varsity will always have the wonderful memories that basketball alone can give them.

In league competition for their last year, Pat Garvey, JoAnn Schwab, Rosemary Bergman, Joan Portman, Anita Krevosh and Joan Frank were instrumental in bringing about many victories for S. B. A.

The members of the team said the Rosary daily during the season, and they are certain without the help of the Blessed Mother, they could not have won the trophy.

The 1951-52 team knows, as will all future teams know, that basketball is not only a sport for fun and excitement; it is a sport for character building.

Seated:—
H. Jackmenovich
H. Rosenberger

Standing:—
M. T. Conlon
S. Rogal

Court Heroes

LET'S GO TEAM

FIGHT, FIGHT, FIGHT!

Left to Right:
Standing—V. Muth, J. Portman, J. Frank
Kneeling—D. McCabe, A. Krevosh, J. Schwab,
B. Gruber, (Coach)

ROSEMARY BERGMAN—at the end of four years of basketball, has a fine record. In her two years of Varsity ball, Rosie has stopped many plays that would have been fatal to our victories.

VIRGINIA MUTH—proved her worth as a good substitute when she sank those extra two points to tie up the game. A junior also, she will be one more with which to start next year's team.

JOAN PORTMAN—gave the impression of calmness on the foor, but always came through when the going got tough. She was noted particularly for her spread-eagle method of guarding. Joan finished her last year of Varsity play with a fine record.

JO ANN SCHWAB—was all over the court at once, especially under the basket to get rebounds. She really kept her hands up when guarding and enabled S. B. A. to regain control of the ball at many critical times.

JOAN FRANK—developed a beautiful long shot that made many of our victories possible and also made her our top scorer. This year was Joan's third year of Varsity basketball which completed her outstanding record as a player.

PAT GARVEY—managed to cover a lot of ground once she got control of the ball. She was characterized by her "stomping" technique which helped to unnerve our opponents. Pat's last year on the Varsity was ended with a good record.

ANITA KREVOSH—specialized in a long, overhead pass all the way down the floor. Her height added to her ability in guarding and gaining control of the ball. Although she was often forced to play with a bad knee, "Kre" finished her last year of Varsity ball with a splendid record.

DOLORES McCABE—is as good on offense as defense. However, she plays mostly as a forward and sinks many a basket to pile up the points. A junior, Dolly has been on the Varsity for three years.

HAIL THE CHAMPS

Rosemary Bergman

Joan Frank

Virginia Muth

Pat Garvey

Joan Portman

Anita Krevosh

Jo Ann Schwab

Dolores McCabe

A TYPICAL DAY WITH OUR TEACHERS

With the reception of our diplomas we the graduating class of 1952 say goodby to our alma mater. We will go from the gates of our Christian education to the wide world and its responsibilities. Imbedded deep in our hearts though will be the memories of you our teachers who for the past years have instructed and guided us, given us good example and advice and have bestowed upon us sympathy and understanding. Whatever our career, our profession, or our state in life we will never completely forget you. Thanks and may God's graces and blessings be with you always.

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Reverend Charles Wiesmann .....Chaplain
Reverend Edmund Rowan .....Religion
Reverend Mother M. Dolores .....President
Sister M. Antoinette, O.S.B.....Principal

Sister Isabel teaches the "do's and don'ts" of sewing.

Junior history taught by capable Sister Kathleen

El Espanol esta interesante! (Spanish is interesting).

A difficult but exciting subject.

Sister Terese Clare maps out a line of action for vocations.

You see Mary, x equals . . .

Sister Regina, explain this please.

Students offer solutions in P. O. D. class.

Faculty

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Standing—Sister M. Mercedes, O.S.B., D. Sapian
Sitting—First Row: J. McCue, J. Brueckner, G. Pottoff
Second Row: F. Faub, P. Mayer, L. Naab
Third Row: M. L. Kehr, A. O'Lear, D. Froehly
Fourth Row: L. Struhar, P. Murphy, A. M. Rockrick

Standing—E. Martinac. J. Lakar, Sr. Demetria, J. Floyd
Seated—I. Keel, R. Waldorf, E. Carmody

My goal . . . to understand these characters!

Sister demonstrates the correct procedure.

Books, Pencils, paper — see Srs. Leoba and Mary John.

Sprecken Sie Deutsch? Do you speak German?

Sister looks the work over.

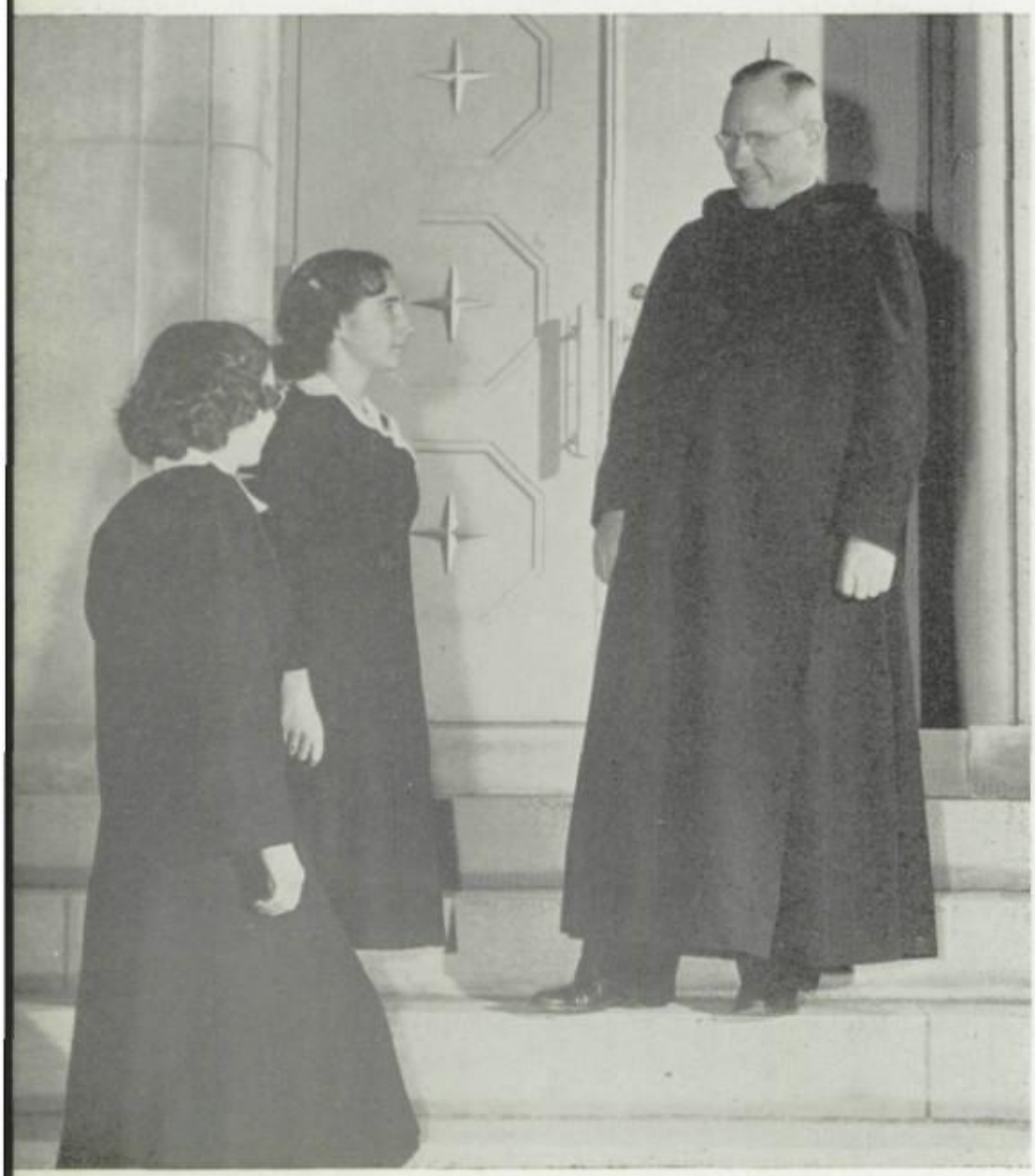
Students' futures get a helping hand from our capable principal.

Tomorrow's secretaries hard at work.

Library . . . books of knowledge.

Those freshmen sure look interested!

A DAY WITH OUR CLASSMATES



The day begins with a trudge up the hill,
The bell then rings and all is still.

Attention please! is a familiar quote—
Prayers then begin with a serious note.

Minds do work as books are opened,
Their everyday fruits offered to God as a token.

Time waits for no man, so soon there appear.
Smiles on all faces as lunch hour draws. near.

Students are diligent in their effort to learn,
So credits to graduate they may earn.

Then more knowledge and changing of classes,
Until 2:30 — my how fast time passes!

The clamor of lockers is then heard in the hall,
As the last bell echoes goodby to all.

Aspirants stop to chat with
Father Norbert

S. B. A. beams with holiday spirit!

The 2:30 p.m. bell has echoed through the halls.

Posing pretty for Fred.

Smiles of approval.

Latest styles . . . Do you approve?

Off Moments . . . PARTIES . . . CLASSES . . .

Diagnosing the case.

What's it all about?

Undecided? Ask the friendly librarians.

Smiles enlighten the duties of a school day!

S. B. A. has talent. Doesn't it?

Dot, Pat, Betty, and Marian freshening up after lunch.

The Seniors bann together.

Excitement untold!

LUNCH HOUR . . . PLAYS . . . GAMES . . .

"Lab" the interesting feature of Chemistry.

Playing hard and fast.

Three rousing cheers for the team!

A missed goal.

Pat's wallet gathers a lot of attention!

Betty, does it hurt much?

The ending of a perfect day.

Watch those calories, girls!

THANK YOU

In the production of this annual cooperation and teamwork played an important part.

To all of those who have helped us in our endeavor, goes our sincere appreciation and gratitude.

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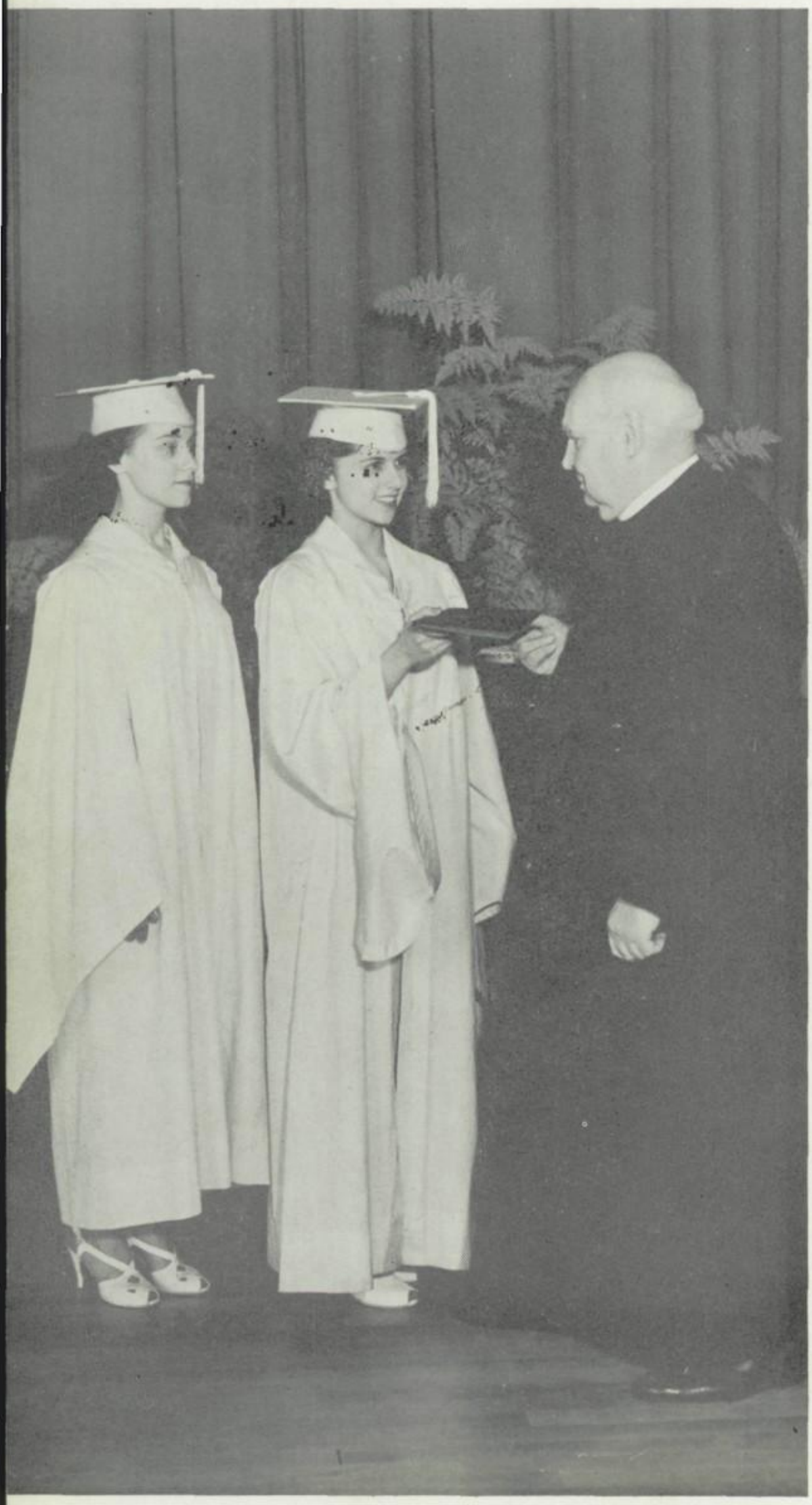

The pages have been turned one by one . . . the book is ready to be closed . . . our story is ended. We are now alumnae of St. Benedict's Academy. Four years ago, we entered our Alma Mater as teenage girls; now we leave as the Catholic woman of a wonderful tomorrow, ready to battle for God and country.

How can we help remembering, in the years ahead of us, all that our school has done for us? Our thoughts will wander back to the precious memories which this Annual has stored for us.

May our hearts always be grateful for the Benedictine culture inculcated by our teachers! Embedded deeply in our hearts is a strong faith in and love for God, giving us the courage to constantly press ahead and courageously overcome the trials which we'll meet on life's highway.

The Class of '52 now says "Goodbye" and leaves the portals of St. Benedict's Academy. We will forever remember both the trying and the happy moments experienced in the happy-go-lucky high *school days now ended.*

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from
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Babs - One of the
best at Assumption
Frank

To Babs.
A really wonderful
girl. I got to know
this year. Stay as
nice as you are.
Always yours.
Lois Turner
"53"

You just told me
to sign this to be
Polite
Paul Deegan

To Babs
Who is dumb enough
to want my autograph
Jack Skinner

To Babs
a swell girl
with a sweet personality
Bill Appelt

From the
boy who
likes Potato
Chips
Kenny.
PS and cheese
sandwich

To Babs
Lots of luck in
the future. Stay
as sweet as you
are know. Always
remember me Yours
little sister
Barbara "54"

To Babs,
Girl with a
wonderful personality
Loads of luck in the
future.
Mary Teresa

To Babs:
a really sweet gal
with loads of person-
ality. Thanks for all
the help in shorthand.
Ken. me as I miss you.
Lots of luck
Frankie Miller '53"

At Barb:
A wonderful
kid with a
swell disposition
Always rem-me as
I miss you.
Margie Kernan
"53"

To Barb.
A sweet kid
who I met
in 107. Always
remember me.
Best of luck in the
future. Pat
"53"

To Babs
A swell kid
with whom I've
sat thru 11 years
of school. Don't
ever forget the
fun we had.
Lois "53"

Dear Barbara:
Lots of success
in the future from a
girl who always had
her things on your desk.
Remember 10?.
Mary Anne Curran

To Babs,
Lots of Luck +
success in the future to
a swell girl who I shall
always remember. Think
of me once in a while
+ the fun we shared
together in Chem.
Pat "53"

To Barbara,
Wishing you
Lots of
Luck
Sincerely,
Margie.
Remember me
Lucketon Swell
Kid

To Barb.
Always remember the
"Ear Rings". You are sweet as
always & stay as sweet as you are
& don't change. See you soon
Get together sometime
Renee

To Barb.
a real swell kid
whom I'll never
forget.
Always Love.
Shirley

To Barb.
The Girl with the
"Ear Rings".
Love
Jean

To Barb;
Always remember the
little Mut who used to
your home room 107
Stephanie
"53"
(Chickie)

To Barb,
a lonely girl
with a pleasing
personality.
Stay as sweet
as you are &
you'll go far.
Remember the
good times
had in 107.
Bonnie
'53

To Barb
Always Love. The
good times we had
together. Here's
hoping we'll be together
next year & that some-
one doesn't have you
out St. Francis Hospital
one of these days.
Love & Luck
Anne

Dear Barbara:
A very swell kid who I have had
the pleasure of knowing. I
hope that together we can
always remember the
wonderful times we had
and also remember
Lucie Sell
'53

To Barb.
a cute junior with
pretty blonde hair
always remember
Eleanor Scannell
'54